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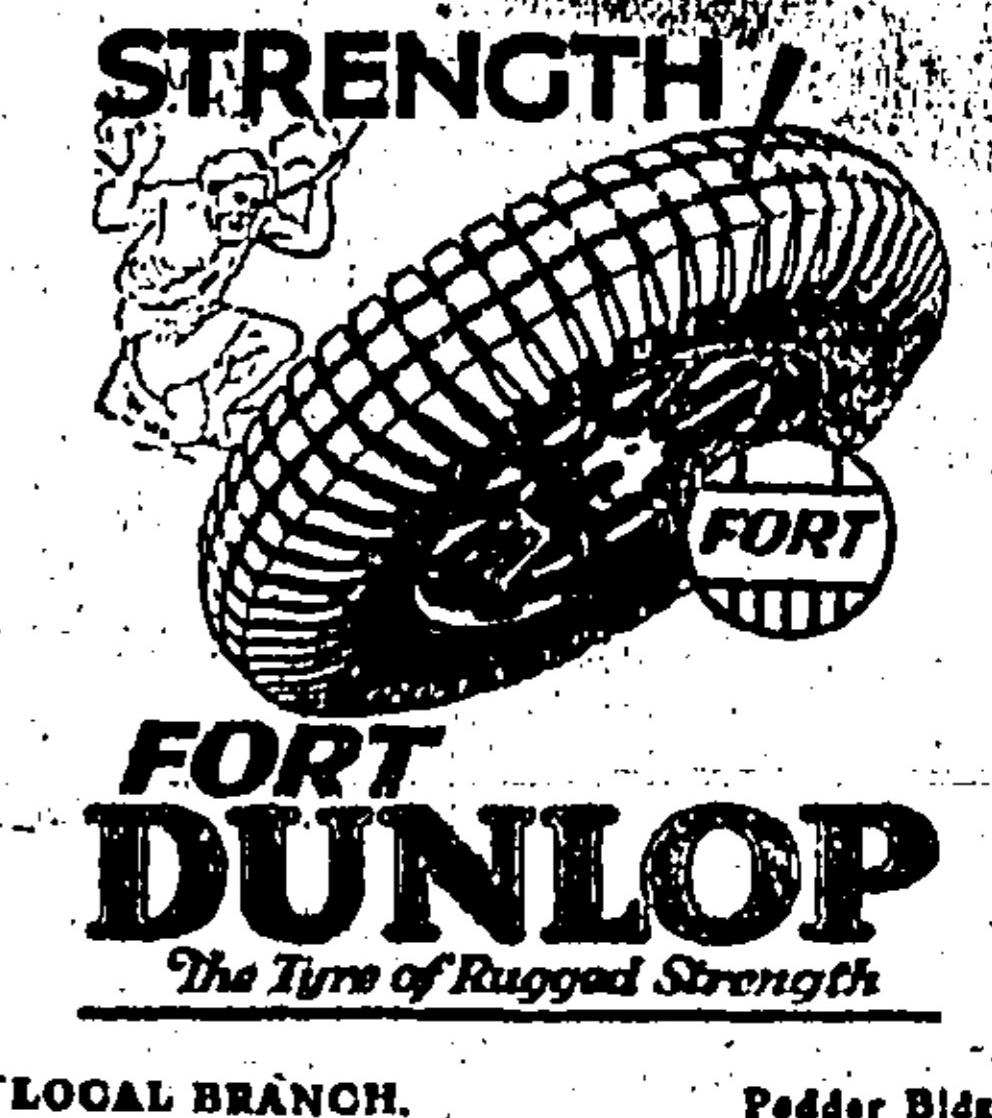
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MACAO POLITICAL MURDER.

GEN. NG YEE-WO SHOT DEAD.

Assassin Escapes in Confusion.

(Our Own Correspondent)

Macao, Aug. 9. General Ng Yee-wo, a prominent Chinese military leader, living in partial retirement, was the victim of a political assassination late last night. He was wounded in three places by an unknown assailant and succumbed early this morning.

The murderer made good his escape, but the police are carrying out an active search, and it is reported that an alleged accomplice has been arrested.

General Ng Yee-wo was leaving his residence, which is near the old ruin of the Church of St. Paul, at about ten o'clock last night, accompanied by two friends, when a man emerged from the gloom of a nearby house and opened fire on him.

III Three Times.

The first bullet struck the General in the abdomen and he staggered. Two more shots were fired, both taking effect and he fell to the ground. The shooting took place at very close range, but the outrage was carried out with such suddenness that the assassin escaped unrecognised.

Neither of General Ng's friends was injured in any way, but they were able to do nothing to prevent the escape of the assailant. He fled down a dark lane, firing behind him as he ran.

General Ng Yee-wo was rushed off to the General Hospital, but examination revealed that he could not survive and at the request of his family, was conveyed to his home where he died this morning without regaining consciousness.

He was an elderly man, living in partial retirement, though vaguely connected with the military forces of the neighbouring district of Chungshan. There is little doubt that the murder was actuated by political motives, though there is no clue to the perpetrators of the plot.

DUTCH RUBBER POLICY.

POSSIBLE CHANGE FORESHADOWED.

London, Aug. 9. The Amsterdam correspondent of the *Financial Times* understands that the Dutch Government has now decided upon the policy it will follow in regard to rubber restriction, but an official announcement will only take place after the arrival of the Governor-General of Batavia in September.

The correspondent says the odds are still against Government restriction measures, but possibly the new Governor-General, not being bound by the policy of his predecessor regarding the protection of native interests, will be able to follow a more active policy.

The opinion is gaining ground in Government circles that things cannot be much longer left to take their own course.—Reuter.

UGLY SCENES FOLLOW PLEBISCITE REBUFF.

"RED" TERRORISM IN BERLIN.

POLICE CHIEFS KILLED IN COLD BLOOD.

BULOW SQUARE REGION VIRTUALLY UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

MURDER AT COLOGNE.

PRUSSIA, SEETHING with plebiscite excitement, was the scene yesterday of two dastardly outrages by Communists, in Cologne and Berlin. In the capital, two police captains were shot dead in cold blood in the presence of a huge crowd in Bulow Square. Ugly scenes followed in which one civilian was killed and fifteen seriously wounded. The district is practically in a state of martial law. In Cologne, Red fanatics murdered the leader of the Steel Helmets.

The Bulow Square outrage appears to have been the sequel to a clear indication that the Communists and Nazis had failed in their effort to bring about a dissolution of the Prussian Diet. The final (though unofficial) plebiscite figures reveal that only thirty-seven per cent of the electorate supported the agitators.

Sporadic firing occurred in the streets of Berlin until the early hours of this morning, but was dying down round about four o'clock. The search for the murderers of the police officers is continuing relentlessly. Civilians entering the Bulow Square area, which has been isolated, are forced to raise their hands above their heads and to submit to a most searching police scrutiny.

PLEBISCITE EXCITEMENT.

Berlin, Aug. 9. The plebiscite polling stations closed at five o'clock this afternoon and an army of workers is now engaged in counting the votes.

The final figures will not be known until late to-night, but the indications are that the Nationalists and Communists have not secured the 13,250,000 votes necessary to assure their success in securing the abolition of the Prussian Diet.

The polling has passed off fairly quietly all over Prussia. Hitherto, seventy arrests have been made for obstructing the police and distributing forbidden leaflets.

The Communists caused the Berlin police some trouble. They set advertising pillars in the streets on fire, smashed street lamps and hoisted the Red Flag on the top of Berlin's highest chimney.

In the early part of the day, most of them seemed to treat it as a mere rag rather than anything else.

The flag was removed from the chimney by the Fire Brigade.

Journalists Assaulted.

The first unpleasant scene occurred when Communists attacked two British journalists who were trying to photograph people entering a polling-station. There was a brief scuffle, but the journalists were not seriously hurt.

One of the most amusing incidents of the plebiscite was the offer by the Communist organ *Roleffte* to pay the Prussian Government twenty marks for the privilege of printing its manifesto (which it was compelled by emergency decree to publish on Friday) on the ground that the manifesto was a priceless asset to the "Red" cause.

It can now be stated that the plebiscite will not show the necessary majority of the electors in favour of a dissolution of the Diet. The figures obtainable so far indicate that in only a few districts in East Prussia, Pomerania and Holstein did over fifty per cent of the electors favour the dissolution.

Two police captains were shot dead. A police sergeant was seriously wounded.

A large crowd had gathered in the square to watch the plebiscite results being posted up.

Suddenly shots rang out. The police officers fell, both captains fatally wounded. Their comrades using their revolvers and swords cleared the square rapidly and are now making a house to house search for the murderers. They are also searching all persons moving in the



The plebiscite in Prussia culminated in grave outrages by Communists. Our photo shows a typical Berlin street scene during the recent unrest.

ARCTIC SEARCH FAILS.

Malyguin's Quest Disclosed.

ITALIA MYSTERY.

Moscow, Aug. 9. The search of the Soviet ice-breaker Malyguin for traces of Amundsen and the missing members of the crew of the ill-fated airship "Italia," have failed.

Third for compact ice baulked the plans of the Malyguin expedition to reach Kurt Alexander Land, where the balloon part of the Italia, with members of the crew, is believed to have been wrecked when it drifted away after parting company with the gondola.

It will be recalled that the Italia was wrecked on May 25, 1928, after a successful flight to the Pole. The craft plunged and struck the ice, tearing away the gondola.

Rigild Amundsen set out as one of the many rescue expeditions on June 18, from Tromsoe, and was never heard of or seen again. It was hoped that the Malyguin would find some trace of either Amundsen or the Italia, but weather conditions made this impossible.

The ice-breaker managed however to keep its rendezvous with the Graf Zeppelin. The leaders also discovered the islands.

In this case Mr. Justice Wood gave judgement for plaintiffs with costs and made an order for the declaration asked for.

Appellants are asking for that judgment to be reversed, and for an order that respondents pay the costs of the action and the appeal.

After explaining that the company was incorporated on January 5, 1906, and at all material times operated the ss. Tai Lee and the ss. On Lee, Mr. Jenkins said that on March 27, 1930, Messrs. Hall Bruton sent a letter to the Directors containing a requisition for calling an extraordinary general meeting. On April 16 the Directors replied, declining to call the meeting and pointing out that the requisition was bad for a number of reasons.

The Resolutions.

On May 8, another requisition was submitted, the following being the resolutions:—(1) That the meeting, being dissatisfied with the conduct of the Directors or persons acting as such, calls upon them to retire; (2) to pass a resolution removing all such Directors as the meeting might deem appropriate; (3) to appoint

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BASEL-BERLIN EXPRESS BOMB OUTRAGE.

DR. BRUENING AS OBJECTIVE.

NOT ON BOARD.

Berlin, Aug. 9.

Coming as it did on the eve of the plebiscite in Prussia and in view of the fact that some of the carriages on the Basel-Berlin express were from Italy, the bomb outrage has created a tremendous sensation.

The belief is growing that the train-wreckers thought that Dr. Bruening the Chancellor, and Dr. Curtius were passengers aboard the ill-fated train, and that the outrage was planned to encompass their deaths.

Seven of the coaches were hurled off the line by the explosion, and rolled for two hundred yards down the bankfit. It was remarkable that the casualties were so light. Three were seriously injured and sixteen less severely.

Political Fanatics.

The bomb appears to have been exploded by an electric fuse. A wire was found attached to the time, leading to this inference.

There is no doubt that the outrage was the work of political fanatics, but it has not yet been established which party was responsible.

Nazi Denials.

Copies of a Nazi newspaper on which were pencilled "Up, the Revolution!" were found fixed to a telegraph pole near the wreck, but this may have been intended to throw suspicion on the Nazis, who deny emphatically any connexion with the bomb outrage.

The State Railway has offered a reward of twenty thousand marks for information leading to the apprehension of the criminals.—Reuter.

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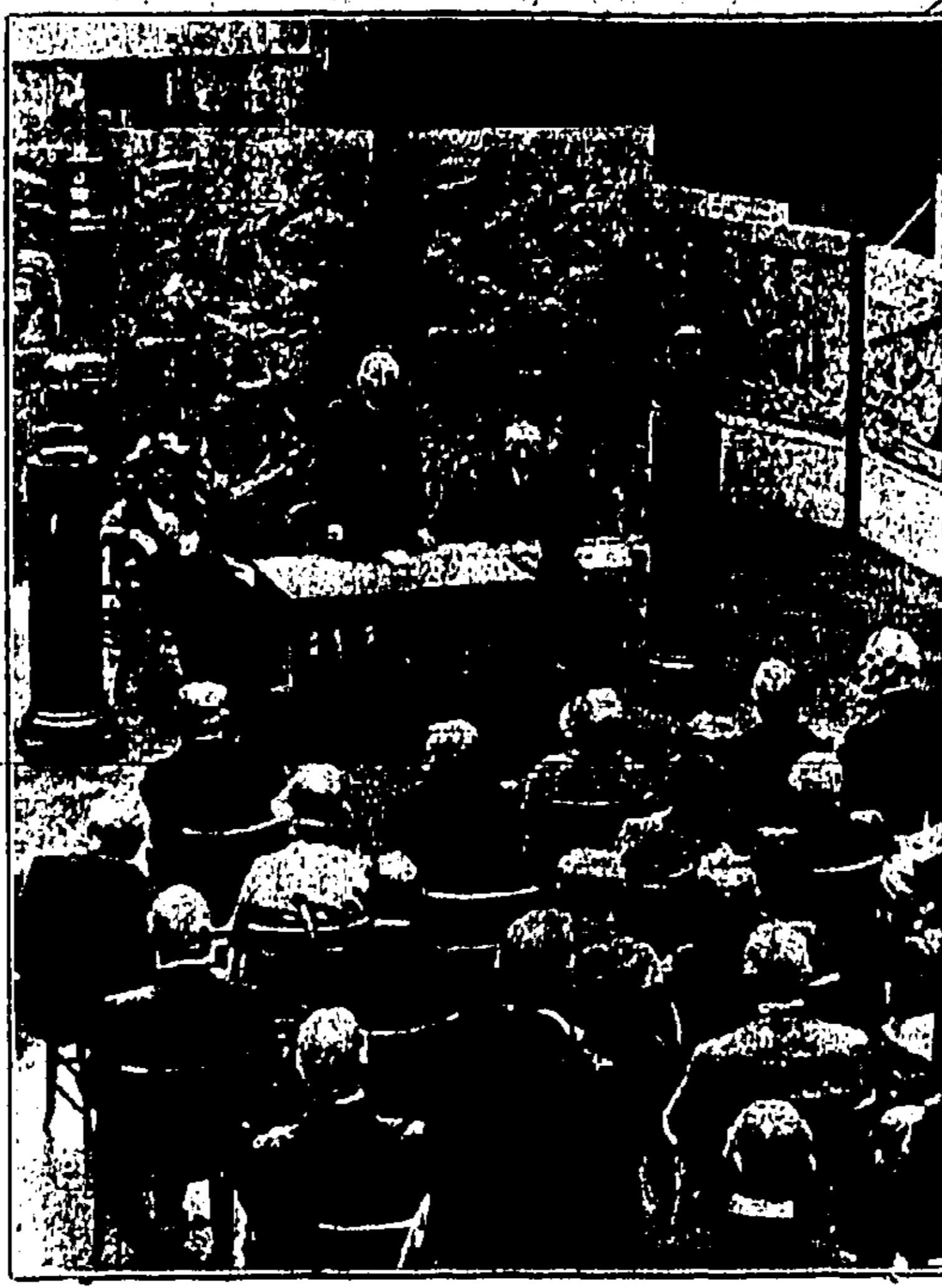
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Presenting to the Trustees of the British Museum a bust of Sir Frederic Kenyon (right), the former Director, and a replica of the bust to Lady Kenyon (left) is the work of Mr. J. A. Stevenson. The presentation was made on Saturday (July 11) in the Assyrian basement. (Ti. - enight.)

JARDINE SALARY DISPUTE.

COAST GUILDS STATE THEIR CASE.

POINTED COMMENT.

Under date Shanghai, August 5, the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, has issued on the instructions of members, the following outline of the negotiations regarding the reduction made in the salaries of the Floating Staff of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., was presumably so satisfactory that it could, on that date, afford to renew an Agreement which provided for an approximate 6% salary increase as against the basis of paying one half at 1/9 to the Dollar and one half at current rate of exchange, yet been compelled to accept:

On 25th February last a letter covering a copy of a circular which had been issued to Members of the Company's Floating Staff was received by those Guilds. The circular announced, inter alia:

"From the 1st April, 1931, or as

artificers expire, Salaries will be paid in Hongkong Dollars at the rate of exchange 1/6 as shown on the attached Schedule."

The reduction announced was exactly 20% in comparison with the scale being paid based on one half at 1/6 to the Dollar, and one half at current rate of exchange.

On 5th March a letter in acknowledgement was forwarded to the General Managers at Shanghai submitting certain points for consideration and requesting more information in order that the Guilds could be better guided in the matter. The Company's circular advice for beyond a cursory reference to "trading condition" no information had been tendered.

No reply was received to this letter, although it was known by these Guilds that the General Managers at Shanghai had been instructed to reply on 12th March.

As no reply was available on 25th March, 1931, the Secretary at Hongkong, the Secretary at Shanghai was instructed to protest agains the prolonged and unreasonable delay in the Company in affording these Guilds a reply.

The General Managers at Shanghai were again instructed by cable and on 23rd March the Secretaries of the Guilds were asked to attend at Combined Meetings held at Shanghai and Hongkong, although in the meantime, on 31st March to be exact, a letter had been received from the General Managers at Shanghai to the effect that they could not entertain our suggestions.

It should be noted that whereas the decision of the General Managers was

ment that the General Managers had decided to continue paying salaries on the present existing basis until 30th June next, after which date Sterling would be paid on the basis of all salary at 1/6 to the Dollar and the Company's Floating Staff would be asked to agree to this basis of payment.

It is particularly necessary to note the above record regarding the decision of the General Managers in view of what transpired later on in the negotiations.

A Sudden Change.

It was pointed out to the General Managers at the Meeting that on 9th December, 1930, the financial position of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. was presumably so satisfactory that it could, on that date, afford to renew an Agreement which provided for an approximate 6% salary increase as against the basis of paying one half at 1/9 to the Dollar and one half at current rate of exchange, yet only two months and sixteen days later the financial position of the Company was so precarious that the Company found it necessary to take away not only the 6% referred to, but also an additional 14%. It would have been a sounder business policy for the Company to have reverted to the one half at 1/9 to the Dollar and one half at current rate on 9th December rather than continue on a basis of payment which the Company should have known it could not afford, and thus minimising the necessity of making such a drastic salary reduction as had been announced.

As an alternative to the decision of the General Managers the Secretaries, although they did not hold any authority at that time to do so, suggested that the Company should consider the advisability of paying salaries on a basis of one half at 1/9 and one half at current rate as from 1st April, as the adoption of this basis by the Company from the noted date would effect a saving to the Company between 1st April and 30th June, which continuation of the present basis would not; furthermore, reverting to the suggested basis would possibly mean that the Company would not require, on 30th June next, to put into force the greatly reduced scale which it had announced as being effective subsequent to that date.

The suggestion made by the Secretaries was confirmed by letter on 7th April after the sanction of the Members of the Floating Staff had been obtained at Combined Meetings held at Shanghai and Hongkong, although in the meantime, on 31st March to be exact, a letter had been received from the General Managers at Shanghai to the effect that they could not entertain our suggestions.

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to continue the present basis for computation of salaries one half at 1/6 to the Dollar and one half at current rate of exchange until 30th June, the Guilds' suggestion urged a saving by the Company as from 1st April, regardless of trading conditions at that date or three months hence. In other words, all ranks of the Company's service unreservedly offered to assist the Company for the three months

ending 30th June, but such practical assistance which involved a net considerable saving was not desired. It will thus be seen that on 28th March, the Company had decided to continue paying until 30th June, the rates in force at that time and it is therefore interesting to note what was happening. The date fixed for the reduction to take effect was 1st April yet on 8th March, 14 days after the regular was issued, the Officers of the

Sui Wo were forced to sign on at Shanghai with a reduced rate clause in Articles and on 4th April the a.s. Mausang signed on at Hongkong at the reduced rate in Dollars in spite of the decision of the General Managers that the old basis of payment would obtain until 30th June.

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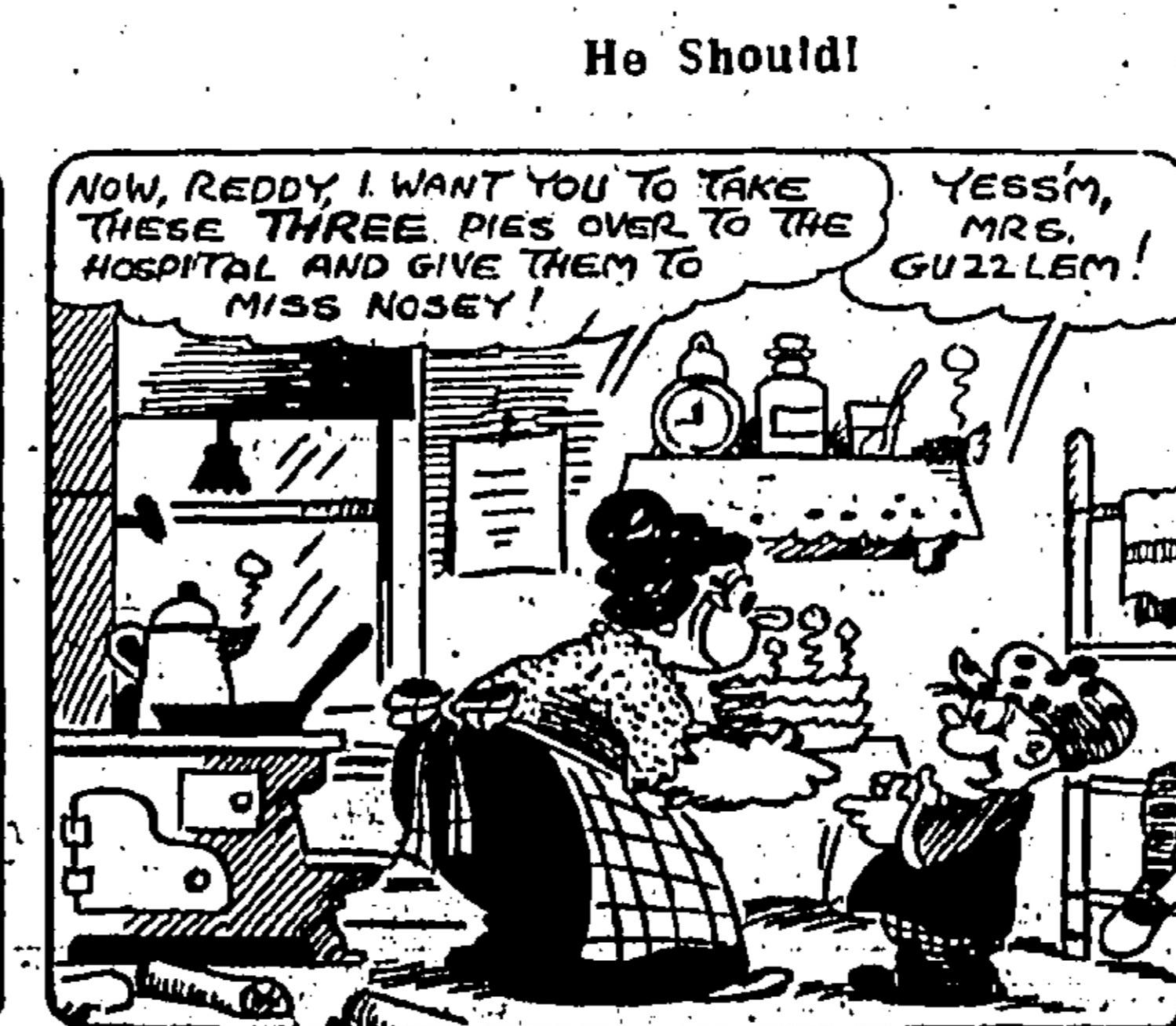
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Berry catches cold while visiting Tommy to beg him to break off the engagement. Irene announces her eloping days are over. When Tommy realizes that she made this sacrifice to save him, reads her note and returns to Berry. Irene has no time to think of college, and Berry is happy until Irene comes home to wait for a divorce. She goes to see Mrs. Everett, her old school teacher, to win back Tommy's love. Mrs. Everett questions Irene about the family secret. She reveals it from Derry, and Irene decides to divorce of Derry and returns to Oakdale. She gets off the train and telephones to him from a suburb.

CHAPTER XLII

Derry was so delighted to hear from Irene that he completely forgot his hockey game and did not go back. He promised to drive immediately to Old Town and Irene told him she'd be waiting at the store.

Derry drove with reckless speed on a pavement made glassy by a sudden drop in temperature following a thaw. As a matter of fact, he arrived too soon for Irene.

She was having a very interesting time with the young store clerk. The youth was obviously trying to cover up an excitement that even Irene found a little surprising, but the more she pressed him with questions in an effort to make him talk the more frequently he answered in monosyllables.

She grew a little uneasy at last when it occurred to her that possibly he had recognized her.

She started talking about New York, leading up to it by comparing the climate there with the climate in Oakdale. It was very cold in Oakdale, wasn't it? She'd been told so. Out of this she finished a question at him that had nothing to do with weather.

"Have you ever?" she asked bluntly, met Gaylord Prentiss wife?"

The young man started but he was not so much caught off guard as Irene had expected he would be.

"No," he said shortly, but Irene was not quite convinced that he was telling the truth.

"I heard about her on the train," she went on blandly. "She left her husband, didn't she?"

"Something like that."

Irene laughed. "I suppose I appear to have a lot of curiosity about her, don't I? You see, she came from New York, too. That's my home, you know. And I'm engaged to a western boy and when I heard . . ." She paused and sighed wistfully. "I wonder if east and west are so different."

"It's all America," said the youth.

"Yes, you are right," Irene agreed sweetly. "But it's just too sad, isn't it? Was he very much broken up? Her husband, I mean. You know him, don't you?"

"Yes."

"Oh, you do! Tell me about him," she begged eagerly.

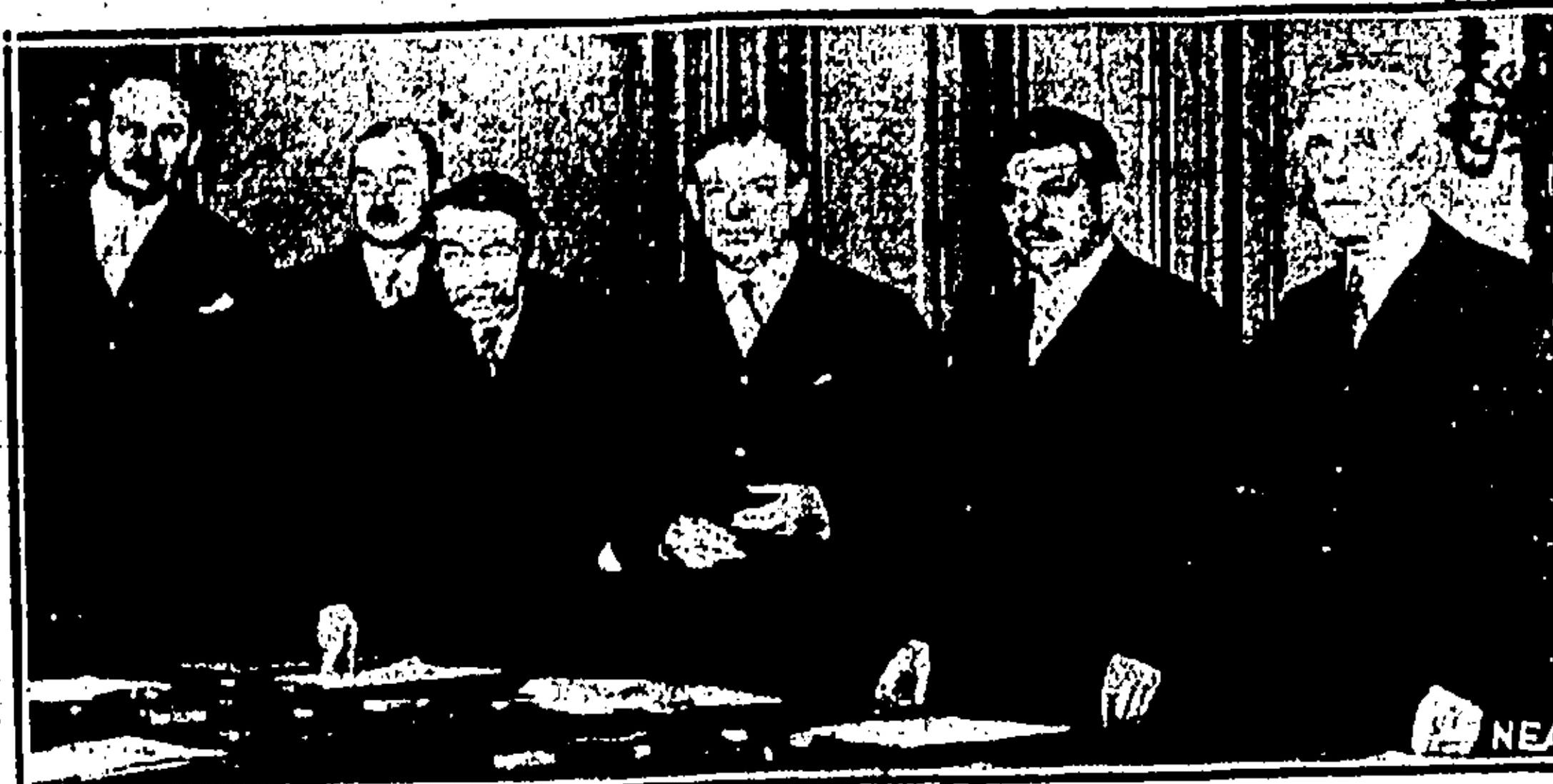
"Nothing to tell."

"Hasn't he found anyone to console him?"

"Don't ask me."

"Well—oh, I see, you have some of those old-fashioned heart-can-

"BIG FIVE" OF DEBT PARLEY.



Here are the "big five" of the moratorium conference in Paris between representatives of the United States and France. An agreement regarding President Hoover's proposed one-year debt holiday was assured when this picture was taken at the Ministry of the Interior in Paris. Left to right, next to the table are: Pierre Flandin, Minister of Finance; Aristide Briand, Minister of Foreign Affairs; U.S. Ambassador Walter E. Edge; Premier Pierre Laval, Andrew Mellon.



The Zoo's specimen of the Hoatzin, from British Guiana. It is claimed to be the first to have been brought alive to Europe. In size it resembles a rather large and thin partridge. (Times copy-right.)



In tribute to the memory of Woodrow Wilson—a statue was recently unveiled in a public square in Poznan, Poland. It was the gift of Paderewski, world-famous pianist.

HANKOW FLOODS.

400 KILLED IN HOSPITAL COLLAPSE.

Hankow, Aug. 9.—The floods here have caused the collapse of the Union Mission Hospital and 400 people have perished as a result.

The Hospital, which is situated in the native city, is maintained by the London Missionary Society and the Wesleyan Missionary Society. —Reuter.

had a world of important things to say to each other. In fact, he had something especially important to say to Irene, something he'd been going to write when he composed his daily letter to her after dinner.

This new habit of staying home at night to write Irene had been one of the arguments he had used to bring his mother to agree to his proposed marriage to Irene.

Did she want him to be footloose again, running around with first this girl and then that one?

Wasn't it better for him to be at home? When he was married and settled down he would get somewhere in life. A single fellow had a hard time. People wouldn't let him alone . . . and so on.

So they drove to the river, Derry and Irene, each thinking of "something important" to tell the other. (To be Continued.)

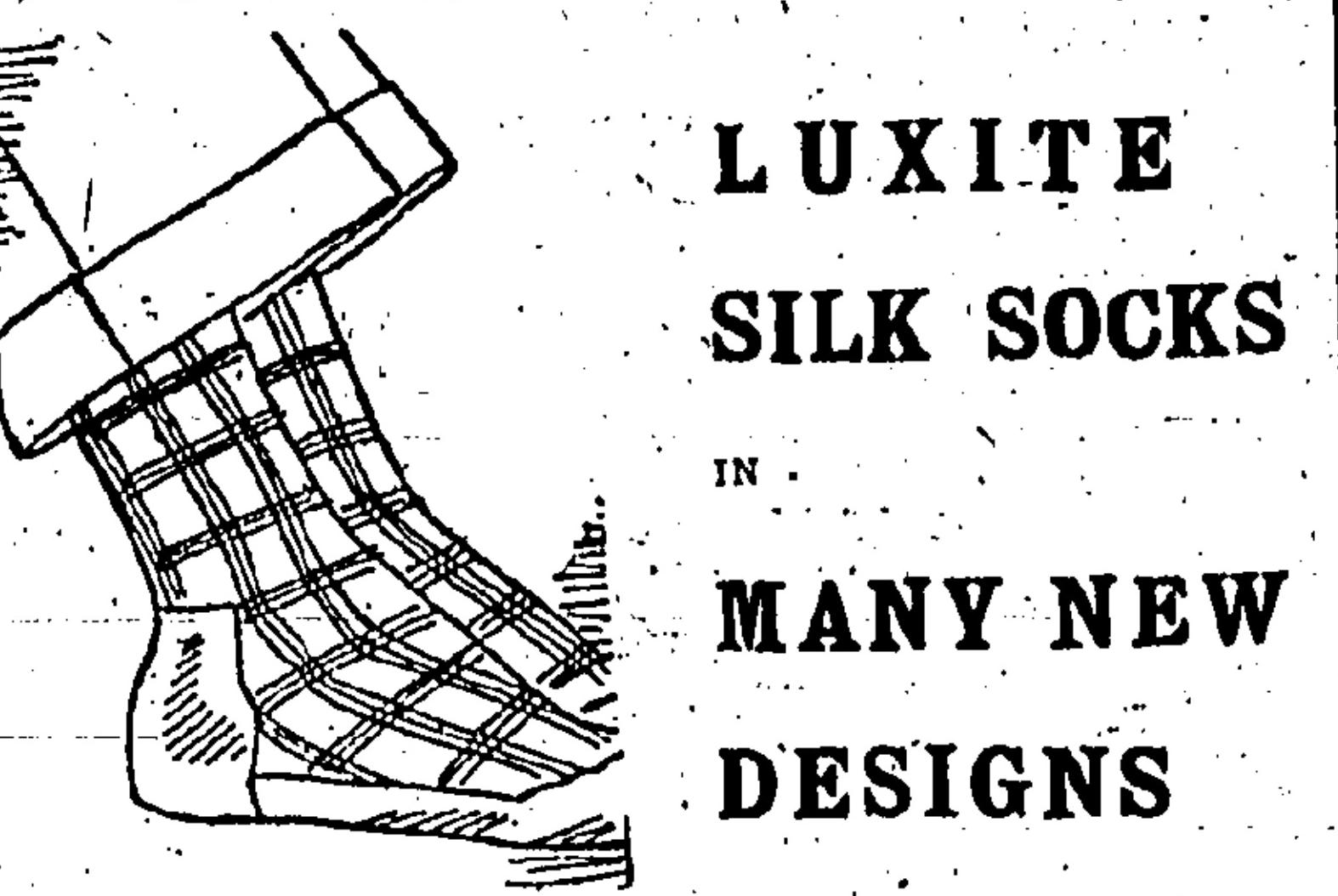
FINANCIAL POSITION IN DANGER.

LIBERAL CRITICISES LABOUR HOME POLICY.

London, Aug. 8.—Defining his personal views of the policy of the Liberal Party in the House of Commons in a speech last night, Lord Grey of Fallton said that at the beginning of the present Parliament, the Liberals felt that the present Government, with whose fiscal, foreign and Indian policy, the Liberals were in agreement, should be supported.

As regards foreign and Indian Affairs they still felt there was no reason for any change of Government, but that on the contrary, the foreign and Indian affairs, and such questions as disarmament, had been handled by the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary with patience and skill and ability.

Lord Grey was more critical of the Government in domestic affairs, and in particular he expressed the view that the danger of the financial position was so real that he thought the Liberal Party should oppose increases of public expenditure, and vote for a policy of economy, even if this involved the defeat of the Government. —British Wireless.



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On the occasion of the Anniversary of the German Constitution Day, the German Consul will hold an official reception at the German Club in 2, Connaught Road Central, top floor, from 11.45 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. The German Consulate will be closed on that day.

THE BRITISH LEGION

HONGKONG & CHINA BRANCH.

The 10th Annual General Meeting will be held at 5.15 p.m. on Thursday, 13th August, 1931, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd.

Business.

To Receive the Report and Accounts for the year 1930.
To elect officers.

P. M. ROSSER,
Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG REALTY & TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

An Interim Dividend of 30 cents per share has been declared payable on Tuesday, 1st September next, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Registered Office of the Company.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Register of Members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 27th August, to Monday, 31st August, 1931, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
C. F. V. RIBEIRO,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 5th August, 1931.

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB.

NOTICE.

The 17th Annual General Meeting of Members will be held at the Club House on Tuesday, August 11th, 1931, at 6 p.m.

Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting to be read and confirmed.

Report and accounts for 1930-31.
To adopt proposed revision of rules.

Election of Officers for 1931-32.
General.
Election of Auditors.

By order of the Committee,
F. C. CLEMO,
Hon. Secretary.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO. LTD.

And

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

Consignees per Company's Vessel,

"EUMAEUS"

From UNITED KINGDOM

via SINGAPORE.

are hereby notified that their cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The cargo will ready for delivery from Godown on and after 10th August, 1931.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival but carried from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods had left the steamer's Godown and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th August, 1931, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 31st August, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th August, 1931.

CREDIT FONCIER D'EXTREME-ORIENT.

Mortgage Bank & Estate Agents.

PEAK MANSIONS

Prince Edward Road,

Kowloon.

Detached and Semi-detached villas. Modern construction with garage.

"Cambay Buildings"

Mats with modern conveniences.

MASSAGE HALL

MRS. S. UZUNOYE

67, Queen's Road, Central, 2nd floor.

Expert Massagist.

NOTICE.

Having resigned from the post of Comptodore to Messrs. P. M. Pinguet and Company, I have severed my connection with that firm as from 25th July, 1931.

(Signed) HO SAI MAN.

By courtesy of Lt. Colonel R. F. Gross, D.S.O. and Officers of 1st Battt, South Wales Borders

THE REGIMENTAL BAND will give a

CONCERT

in the Botanical Gardens.

on Monday,

17th August, at 9.15 p.m.

Entrance by main & N. E. Gates on Albert Road only.

Admission, including programme, 20 cents.

Reserved Chairs.

50 cents.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LTD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 40 cents per share has been declared payable on THURSDAY, 25th August next, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Registered Office of the Company.

2nd Floor, Exchange Building, Des Vœux Road, Central.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be closed from TUESDAY, 11th August, to MONDAY, 24th August, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1931.

NOTICE.

We, the undersigned, hereby confirm our notice, dated 25th July, published in the local press, that Mr. Ho Sai Man is no longer connected with our firm.

Lammert's Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on Tuesday,

the 11th August, 1931.

at 12 o'clock (noon)

at their Sales Room,

Duddell Street,

One Full Size English Billiard Table with accessories

Two Milner's Safes

One Hall's Safe

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from Mrs. Hannibal to sell by Public Auction,

on Thursday,

the 13th August, 1931,

at 12 o'clock, Noon,

at their Sales Room,

Duddell Street.

ONE CADILLAC MOTOR CAR, 7 seats in good running order.

(License No. 163).

This car may be viewed:—
on days previous to day of sale
at the Hongkong Hotel Garage,
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On day of sale at the Sales Room
of the Undersigned.

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LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. S. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police State:

General.

Revolver Practice.—The regular weekly revolver practice will take place at the Bowen Road Revolver Range on Wednesday, August 12th at 17.00 hours. It will be open to all members of the Indian Company, Hongkong Police Reserve.

Training Course—Part II.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central will be held as usual on Tuesday, August 11th at 5.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company and of the Flying Squad who have not passed Part III of Training Course should attend.

Chinese Company.

Strength—Constable R60 Tao Kun Chai and R66 Edwin Howqua have been permitted to resign having completed four and three years respectively with effect from 4th August, 1931.

Indian Company.

Leave.—Constable R215 Faizul Mohamed has been granted 12 months' leave of absence from the Colony as from 8th August, 1931.

Revolver Practice.—Revolver practice will be carried out on the Bowen Road Revolver Range on Wednesday, August 12th. All members of the Indian Company who have not passed Part III of Training Course this year should attend without fail.

Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Police Headquarters on Wednesday, August 19th for a general inspection of Equipment, etc. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp under P/Sgt. R. J. Hunt. Dress—White Uniform, Cap with White Cover; Belt, Truncheon, Whistle, Armlet and Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and Note-Book to be carried. Those not in possession of uniform will attend in multi. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present. Recruits will attend.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hongkong Section will take place on Friday, August 14th, Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki.

Sharpshooters' Company.

Riot Drill.—Riot Drill will be carried out on Kennedy Road on Wednesday, August 12th at 5.30 p.m. Members will fall in outside Queen's Pier at 6.20 p.m. Uniform optional. Revolvers, truncheons, belts to be carried. All members required.

(Sgt.) D. L. KING, D.S.P. (R.)

Results.

Members' hurdles (50 yards)—W. Fortin (79 1-5 sec.); 1; Wan Kwong-tin (81 1-5 sec.); 2.

Free-style (50 yards)—S. V. Gittins (

WEIGHT TELLS.

INDIAN WRESTLER EASILY WINS CONTEST.

Those who assembled at the Stadium at North Point yesterday afternoon saw Daula, the Indian wrestler, in action, but were not given an opportunity to see what Daula was really capable of. It was obvious that Mr. Spors, who provided the opposition, was much too small compared with the Indian, who has been described as "the elephant-like wrestler," and this proved to be no misnomer.

Mr. J. Brook, who referred the match, announced that the bout was over half an hour if there was no fall, in which case the match would have been a draw. But in fact it did not last more than four minutes.

Within the first minute that Daula and Spors came to grips, the Indian had thrown his opponent to the ground, but it was not until two minutes later that he could get the British's shoulders both resting on the sand. This round, so to speak, did not last more than three minutes.

The next was very much quicker. One hand stretched out like lightning, and Spors was already on the ground, with the Indian on top of him pressing his shoulders down to the earth. This did not take much more than a minute.

Therefore, the whole match did not last more than five minutes. Spors

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market on Saturday has been received by Messrs Pen-treath and Co.

London Terminal.

March 1932 6.9 down 1/4d.
May 1932 6.11 down 1/4d.
August 1932 7.2 down 1/4d.
December 1931 6.6 down 1/4d.

New York Terminal.

Market closed.

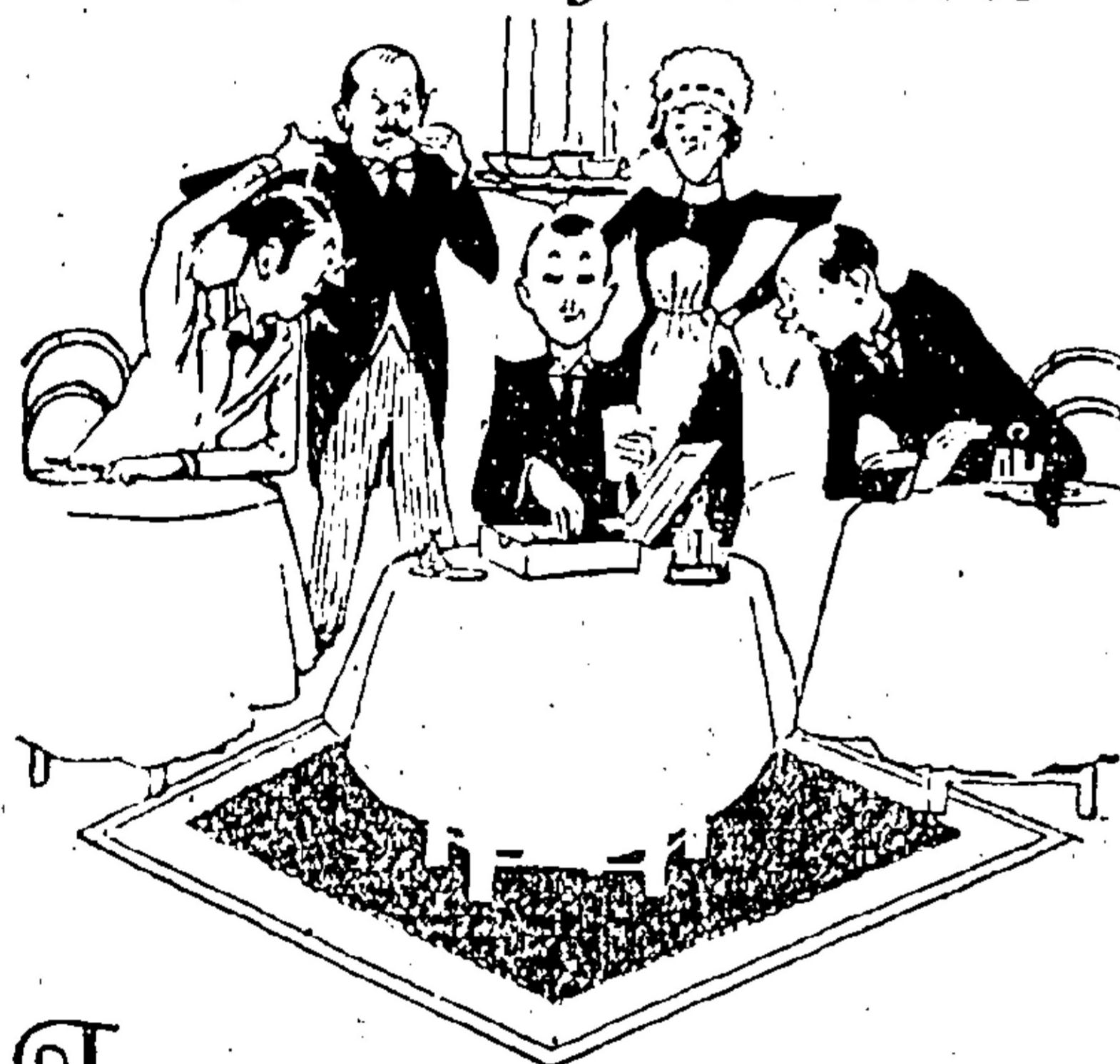
was obviously outclassed, and looked positively diminutive compared with the Indian, whose massive shoulders gave him the decided advantage. The British stayed quiet in the first round when, although thrown in the first minute, he did not allow his more experienced and far heavier opponent to score the points until the latter literally lifted him and threw him on his back.

Other Events.

Jugat Singh, from Shanghai, tried conclusions with Fazal, Daula's brother, but this match ended without a decision. When time was called, neither had registered a fall, and the match was adjudged drawn, with Jugat Singh holding an advantage.

Three other matches made up the afternoon's programme, but these were finished in quick time.

Maddening Moments



The man who dared

The manager was furious. The young man scrunched. The waitress was flabbergasted. The young man went on scrunching. Over the face of his fellow luncheons stole a look of horror mingled with admiration at his sangfroid. Still he went on scrunching . . . He didn't care. How delicious they were, these "Ovaltine" Rusks. How subtle their melting crispness . . . how piquant their unusual flavour. He took a drink. What an admirable lunch he was having. Why should be order anything else when he had got these perfect rusks? He toyed with the idea of passing them round. Perhaps it was hardly fair to keep such pleasure all to himself. And yet, dash it all, there were only a few left . . . No, he couldn't spare them. Certainly not . . .

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

THE RUGBY THAT HAS MYSTERICALLY DISAPPEARED FROM A SECRET ROOM IN HECTOR'S HOUSE WAS AT ONE TIME, HECTOR'S PRIZE JEWELLERY OLD MAN HECTOR DISCLOSES THE SECRET ROOM →

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME ANY OTHER LIVING SOUL BUT MYSELF HAS EVER BEEN ADMITTED TO MY SPECIAL ROOM . . .

BOY! THIS IS GETTING EXCITING!! I'VE READ OF SECRET ROOMS, BUT THIS'LL BE THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER BEEN IN ONE... HOT DOG!!

NOW, DON'T DO ANY TALKING... JUST KEEP IN THE BACKGROUND... THIS IS GOING TO BE A PIECE OF DETECTIVE WORK, I CAN SEE THAT ALREADY!

BACK OF THIS SMALL PICTURE IS A KEY HOLE... I AM THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS A KEY... AND UNLOCKING THIS OPENS A LONG PANEL TO THE BACK OF YOU....

UHUU... I SEE... QUITE CLEVER... QUITE!!

LOOK! PART OF THE WALL SWINGS IN, LIKE A LONG DOOR!! IS THAT THE SECRET ROOM?

By Blosser



WOMEN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

DANGERS OF STANDING.

[By a Family Doctor.]

Nothing is more tiring than standing about for a long time. It is far more exhausting than walking about for the same length of time. This is particularly true in the case of tall people—and is worse in warm weather than in cold.

When we stand up there is a tendency for the blood to gravitate into our legs and the lower part of the abdomen. When we walk, run or take other forms of exercise the muscles of the trunk and limbs are alternately relaxing and contracting, while at the same time the heart beats more vigorously. Both these factors help in pumping back the blood from the legs to the heart and so are of great importance in countering the above-mentioned effect of gravity on the blood stream.

When we are standing about our leg and abdominal muscles are more or less inactive and relaxed, and there is little to oppose the action of gravity. Our blood, so to speak, "goes into our boots" and, leaving our brain, makes us feel faint and tired.

Whenever you are standing hold yourself well braced up; head back and, above all, your legs well braced and your stomach held in. Whenever you have an available moment walk about or, better, do a few leg exercises, such as raising yourself on your toes or "double knee bend." Those who run, particularly women, will be greatly helped by lying down for half an hour after lunch. Others will do well to take a brisk, short walk before lunch and tea and some such form of exercise every evening.



A lace-trimmed night-dress of triple nimon patterned with small flower sprays. It is a delightful little garment, with low rounded neckline, small puff sleeves, and wide sash.

BEAUTY HINTS.

[By Alicia Hart.]

Beautiful teeth are worth while having, if for no reason other than that vanity in them makes you want to smile often. And you know how refreshing anyone is who can smile easily and often.

Sound teeth, however, are the best blessing with which Nature can endow you. So, if your teeth aren't the kind dental companies fight to have in their ads, be satisfied that they work.

The optical effect is such as to make the figure look much thinner.

The slight draping it causes leaves in the undraped parts, *contours*, which it would be a mistake to accentuate. This crossover movement for corsetage will be found this season in a great many models, whether for morning, afternoon, or evening wear.

All clothes this season may be said to have the element of variety, and, since the variety is so great, knowing how to choose clothes is increasingly important.

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In addition to having your teeth cared for regularly, you yourself should give them daily care. They may not show as much as make-up. But they are far more important to your health.

FASHION NEWS.

The New Line.

The new line leaves the bust with its natural *contours*, but, as slenderness remains in favour, it is necessary to utilise certain dress-making combinations, so that the general outline shall lose nothing of the gracefulness which is its principal charm. For the purpose of concealing fullness in the upper part of the dress, someone has invented, for the adjusted corsetage fitting closely, a cross-over movement.

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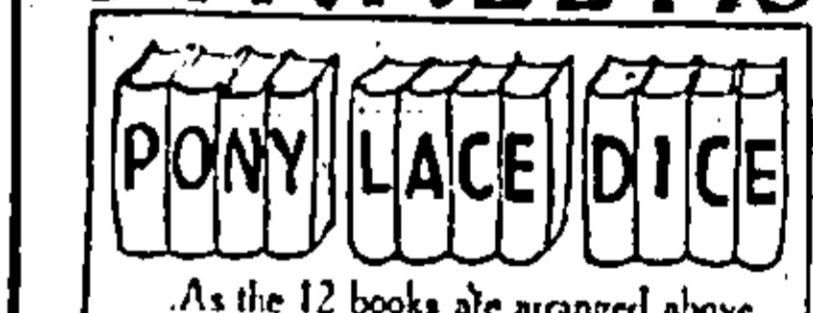
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STICKLERS



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NO MONEY TO PAY CIVIL SERVANTS.

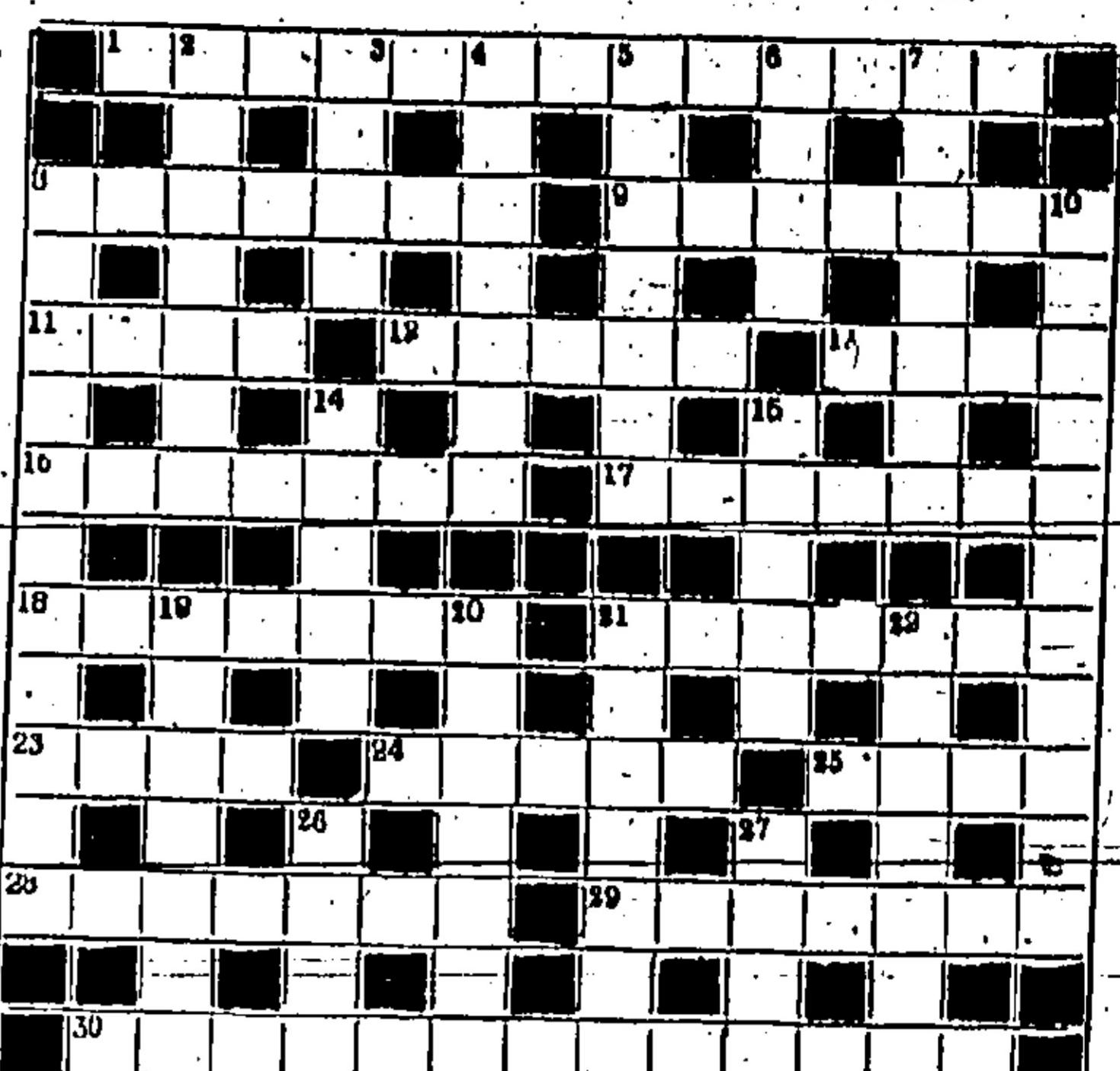
Sydney, Aug. 8.

The plight of New South Wales' civil servants, who have not yet received their July pay, owing to the State's financial difficulties, is expected to be relieved immediately by the Commonwealth. Loan Council having approved of an issue of £500,000 treasury bills to cover the State's July cash requirements.

At the same time a deadlock between the two Houses of Legislature over the basis on which civil servants' salaries were to be reduced, as a measure of economy, has been solved by the Governments introducing a bill providing cuts on a sliding scale, to which both Houses agreed.—Reuters.

giant airships building should carry the United States flag to the ends of the earth, and demanded an early commencement of the construction of a second craft of similar type, some funds for which had already been appropriated.—Reuters' American Service.

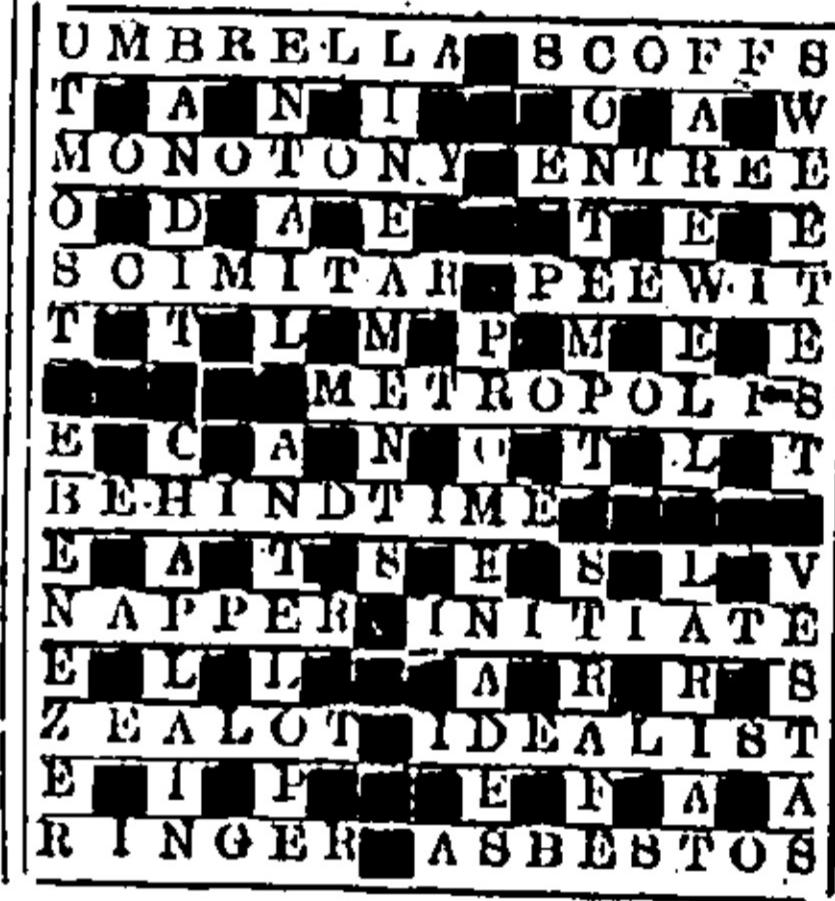
OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Thus—of one actor by—
- 2 This, frequently forms a 6.
- 3 His, adorment.
- 4 Go for a short journey with short steps.
- 5 Have a light.
- 6 You can't make bricks without it.
- 7 Frequently follows an editor.
- 8 Lachesis.
- 9 The alliance of a horse and another quadruped has a puzzling result.
- 10 Skilful tactics, "Per his angle" (ang.)
- 11 The eye of these animals are under the head.
- 12 Fervent.
- 13 Free from regard.
- 14 Fashionable dreamer.
- 15 Taken up, this is insolent.
- 16 This little town will have a mayor, nevertheless.

Saturday's Solution



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Tricky!

By Blosser



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M-103 Rustic Wedding Symphony
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Played by Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra
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M-107 Sonata in A Major (Schubert, Op 162)
Violin and Piano

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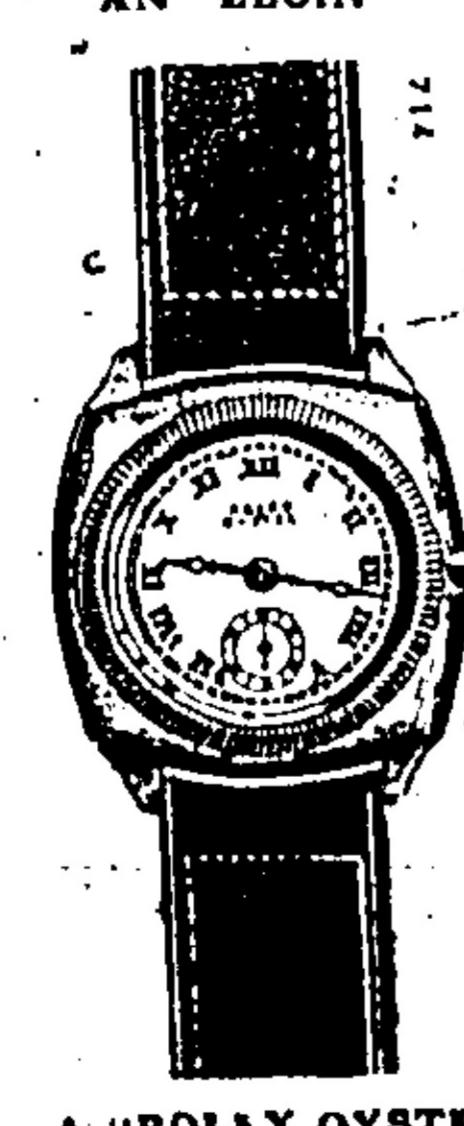
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Hundreds of men genuinely out of work, not only in England, but in the United States, Germany, Canada, Australia and many other countries. They are the victims of a world-wide depression, not men who want to exploit the situation for their own benefit or in order to secure an easy time. They would want nothing better, for themselves and their families than steady, regular work. But they cannot get it. In increasing measure, in all parts of the world, there is a recognition of the fact that in such cases it is an elementary duty on Governments to see that honest out-of-works are not allowed to starve. We may and should condemn the works-shy, but if we have any spark of humanity we cannot but feel keenly for those who, through no fault of their own, are unable to maintain themselves in these days of economic stress.

Russia's New Step.

Probably the most notable thing about Stalin's demand for a modification of the rule of strict Communism in Russian industry is the fact that it signifies the reappearance of individualism in Russia. Heretofore the individual has had no place under the Soviet system. The tenet that all men are created equal has been accepted with an awful literalness. Communism's ideal man has looked very much like a robot. Now, however, comes compromise—one more in a long series of compromises wherein Marxism pure and undefiled has made shift to get along in an "evil capitalist" world. Russian workers, henceforth, are to be paid according to the work they do and not according to their needs. The skilled worker is to be paid more than the unskilled worker. The man who is a devout Communist will not be promoted over the head of the non-Communist unless he can show that he is actually a better man for the job. The factory manager must show an ability to run his plant at a profit. All of which is deeply significant. The dead level of uniformity, aimed at by Communism is non-existent. Even in Russia there are men who are more capable than their fellows. In England there has been a tendency to hail Stalin's pronouncements as a tacit admission of the failure of Communism. Probably this is going farther than the facts warrant. What does seem to be evident, however, is that Communism, to succeed, must borrow more and more from capitalist practice. It is not at all unlikely that in the long run it will borrow so heavily and compromise so completely that Marx or Lenin would not be able to recognize it as Communism at all.

Here we have an attempt to approach problems of 1931 in the manner of 1851. For the one thing that makes the present day depression unlike those of the old days is the fact that millions of men are out of work through no fault of their own. It is not only the improvident who are needing relief these days; sober, industrious and thrifty workmen are, in thousands of cases, existing on the very edge of utter destitution. In the old days things were up to the individual. In a pinch he could always go back to the land and support himself. Except in rare cases, only the shiftless and the spendthrift ever had to depend on charity. To-day it is different. Men who obeyed all the rules of thrift and hard work are very badly up against it. There is literally nothing for them to do but wait for things to get better. Their sobriety and steadiness have not kept them from poverty. Times have changed, and industrialists will not enhance their reputation for all-seeing wisdom by chanting the outworn slogans of a century ago.

It has to be admitted, of course, that there has been much abuse of the "dole" in England, a fact which has been amply attested by the report of the Commission appointed to deal with anomalies arising out of the distribution of relief grants. But, when all is said and done, there is plenty of evidence to show that these malingerers are not in the majority. To-day, there are mil-

DAY BY DAY

IN THOSE VERNAL SEASONS OF THE YEAR, WHEN THE AIR IS CALM AND PLEASANT, IT WERE AN INJURY AND SULLENNESS AGAINST NATURE NOT TO GO OUT AND SEE HER RICHES, AND PARTAKE IN HER REJOICING.—*Milton.*

President Hoover celebrates his 57th birthday today.

The P. and O. s.s. *Cathay* from Singapore is due here on Thursday at about noon.

While bathing in a deep pool at Kong Ming Terrace, Tai Hang at 6.30 p.m. yesterday, Chan Hung, a stone-breaker, aged 30 years, of 16, Front Row, went out of his depth and was drowned.

A reminder is given of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Dance to be held this evening at 8 p.m. on the Tennis Court of the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, weather permitting. The Choero Club Band will supply the music.

An Indian constable last night handed in at the Gough Hill Police Station a brown leather attache case, which he said had been handed to him by a European man and woman at 9 p.m. at the corner of Magazine Gap and Stubbs Roads. The case is waiting ownership at the station.

The German Consul advertises that on the occasion of the Anniversary of the German Constitution Day, official reception will be held at the German Club, in 2, Connaught Road Central, top floor, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. The German Consulate will be closed on that day.

At the Marine Court on Saturday, the Hon. Comdr. Hole dismissed three charges against Capt. R. A. Pritchard, of the a.s. *Borneo*, owing to the absence of witnesses. The charges were of failing to enter his ship, taking the ship to sea without a clearance, and failure to pay dues.

Six men armed with iron bars and torches forced an entrance into an unnumbered hut occupied by a woman, Tse Ng, at Old Kowloon Tong in the early hours of yesterday morning, and after ransacking the place left in the direction of Shamshui Po. The value of articles stolen, which included money, jewellery and clothing, is set down at \$100.

Admitted to the Government Civil Hospital on Saturday, Chan Kai, of 8, Tai Wo Street, refused to stay at the institution. He was suffering from internal injuries received while shifting a case near the Hongkong Electric Works on Saturday morning. Chan was re-admitted in a serious condition yesterday and died this morning at 3 o'clock.

WATER LEVELS.

DETAILS FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Observatory Commission, shows in English feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:

Aug. Aug.

West River at Shiuhsing 24.5 21.2

North River at Samshui 7.0 6.9

North River at Taizingyuon 14.9 12.5

East River at Sheklung 3.5 2.9

The highest levels recorded are:

Shiuhsing, 41 feet; Taizingyuon, 29.2

feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Sheklung, 11.5 feet.

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CHINESE BIBLE CONFERENCE.

HUGE CROWDS AT LOCAL GATHERINGS.

LIVELY INTEREST.

Hongkong during the past week has witnessed a striking demonstration of the keen and fervent interest shown by Chinese residents, old and young alike, in the Christian movement. The occasion has been the annual Pool Liner Conference, an inter-denominational gathering arranged by the Protestant churches, which aims at the deepening of spiritual life amongst Christian workers. Ten-day conferences are held both in Canton and in Hongkong, and this year's gatherings are the fifth to be held. In both centres, the meetings have attracted wider and deeper interest than ever before.

During the whole of last week, the conference met at St. Paul's Church, Hongkong, the speakers being the Revs. Chia (Nanking), Shing (Changsha), P. Hinkey and Silas Wong (Wuchow) and Leland Wong (Fouchow).

The meetings were marked by profound interest on the part of the Chinese, the church being packed to its utmost limits every day. Standing room was even at a premium, and so large were the attendances that for those who could not gain admission, the addresses of the speakers were broadcast by loud speakers to large audiences in the court-yard of the church. The speakers held the interest of their hearers from start to finish by the earnestness and logic of their remarks, and it was noteworthy that so many of those who attended were young men and women.

Following the Conference, four evenings devoted to evangelistic work have been arranged to be held in the Lee Gardens, admission being free. The first of these was held yesterday, when the Gardens were packed. By the aid of loud speakers, the addresses were audible in every part of the Gardens. It is estimated that here must have been fully 10,000 people present last night, and a feature was the reverent attitude of all present.

These gatherings are the biggest of their kind held in China. They are entirely self-supporting, all the delegates meeting their own expenses whilst at the same time contributing, with the workers generally, towards incidentals. No appeal is made for funds, and on only one evening are envelopes distributed, the freewill offerings being placed therein and then put in boxes at the church door.

Further big audiences are expected at Lee Gardens during the next three evenings.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Hockey Matters.

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir.—Referring to the report on the annual meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Club and the comments on the proposed Hockey League, may I enquire what is the fundamental difference between the Hongkong Hockey Club competing for the Sim Shield and competing in League games for trophies open to all clubs?

The attitude of the Hongkong Hockey Club on the question of the proposed League appears to be somewhat selfish and narrow-minded and seems to indicate that the leading hockey club of the Colony is bent on maintaining its unique position as the only competing civilian club for Sim Shield honours rather than fostering general interest in the game. Yours, etc., ENTHUSIAST.

CROWN JEWELS COMEDY.

TOURISTS LOCKED IN DANISH CASTLE.

Copenhagen, July 8.
A party of English tourists who are visiting Scandinavian countries on board the steamer *Atlantis* had a remarkable experience this afternoon at Rosenborg Castle, Copenhagen, which is now used as a Royal museum.

They were being shown the Danish Crown jewels, when their guide accidentally touched the glass case in which the jewels are displayed. Instantly the case sank through the floor and hoisters sounded all over the building.

An attendant rushed into the room with a revolver and all the doors were automatically closed and locked. No one was allowed to leave before the arrival of a carload of police to whom the accident had to be explained.

MAMMOTH LINER DEPARTS.

PRESIDENT HOOVER ON MAIDEN VOYAGE.

HERE NEXT MONTH.

New York, Aug. 6.
Amid racket of whistles, sirens

and fog horns that resounded for miles the new eight million dollar liner President Hoover left her berth at pier 9, Jersey City (New York) at exactly 4 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on her maiden voyage. Crowds estimated at well over fifty thousand lined the docks along the water front to catch a glimpse of the immense liner leaving New York harbour. With her nose pointed toward the sun her masts glinted down the harbour.

Less than half an hour before the vessel sailed, Captain Robert Smith from his office at San Francisco called Captain Anderson, Commander of the President Hoover, on long distant telephone, wishing him a happy and successful voyage followed by a speech which was broadcast to the passengers and crew by means of the liner's interior broadcasting system. Finishing his speech Captain Dollar wished the passengers pleasant seas and a happy voyage after which he invited the officers and crew for the loyalty, faithfulness and attention to duty, the three things which have placed the Dollar flag round the world.

The President Hoover is the first intercoastal and Trans-Pacific liner to have a Stock Exchange aboard ship. Daily well-informed quarters believe that Marshal Chiang has suggested to General Chang that he in return for the Manchurian regiments into China Proper, and that in return for the Manchurian services in suppressing the Shanghai doubtful forces, Nanking would be willing to surrender the control of Chihli, Shansi, Suiyuan, and Shantung Provinces.

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The return of the Second Duke of Norfolk, an episode in the Framlingham Castle Pageant. (Times copyright.)

WHERE FLIES GO IN SUMMER TIME.

WEATHER "BLAMED" FOR SCARCITY.

The much-heralded plague of flies, which experts predicted for Britain for the beginning of July, failed to materialise.

The weather is "blamed" for upsetting the calculations of experts. Never has the common housefly been so rare as at this moment; never have fly-swatting been so idle. It is asserted that there will be no flies for another month at least.

Major A. Austin, Keeper of the Department of Entomology at the Natural History Museum, and author of "The House-Fly," informed a representative of the *Morning Post* that the beginning of August would be the earliest moment at which flies, in any considerable numbers, could be expected.

"This year the seasons have been very 'backward,'" he explained; "consequently, the hatching of the flies' eggs" has been delayed. In order to thrive and multiply flies require stable manure, refuse, warmth, and not very dry weather. The all prevailing use of mechanical transport has, to a large extent, removed the first of these conditions; and for this reason flies are much scarcer in some parts than they used to be. This year there has been plenty of wet weather; but not until recently has it been particularly warm.

"Flies normally begin to be common towards the end of June," Major Austin added; "but they do not become really numerous until August and September. Much, therefore, depends on the weather during the next few weeks." It would be rash to prophesy; but if we have a month of warm, wet weather, there is every likelihood of flies being numerous in the early autumn."

All cables are outside cabins and more than one million dollars was spent for furniture, fittings and equipment for this steamer.

The President Hoover will arrive in Hongkong on September 21st.

WAR ON SHANSI GENERALS.

MORE MUKDEN TROOPS WANTED.

OFFER OF PROVINCES.

Peking, Aug. 10.
The possibility of the adoption

of drastic measures by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and General Chang Hsueh-liang by declaring war on all grey troops in Shansi and Southern Chihli, with a view to settling the disbandment question, is evidenced by a conference here between General Chang and Marshal Chiang's First and Second Divisional Commanders, Generals Liu Shih and Ku Chung-tung.

Interviewed, the Nanking Generals state that their conference with the Manchurian ruler will be devoted to the devising of means to preserve lasting peace in the North.

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SZE YAP COMPANY DISPUTE.

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Directors to take their places; (4) to pass a resolution removing from office the Managing Director, Secretary and Treasurer; (5) to appoint new persons in their places; (6) the meeting, being dissolved with the method of

managing the two steamships, they should be chartered or otherwise dealt with; (7) alteration of the Articles to give power to appoint a Consultative or Protective Committee, and (8) a resolution concerning the matter of dividend payment.

On the Directors' failure to convene the meeting, the requisitionists convened it themselves.

Mr. Jenkin here remarked, "The history of this company has been stormy in the extreme, and, more often than not, members and Directors have been divided into two antagonistic camps. It has previously been found necessary and wise to get hold of an independent, capable, and reliable chairman, and Mr. Li Yu-tung had been selected on those occasions."

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At the meeting, said counsel, certain people stated that they had been trapped into signing the requisition, explaining that when they signed it only contained the last two resolutions. It was decided to discuss only those two resolutions at the meeting, which was presided over by Mr. Li Yu-tung, and they were put and carried, after which Mr. Li declared the meeting closed and left with about 75 per cent. of those present.

Although it was thought that the remainder were also dispersing, it appeared they did not do so, as they elected another chairman, Mr. Ng Tung-kai, and, without, of course, any opposition, the remaining 25 per cent. passed all eight resolutions on the requisition, and appointed new Directors.

Appliants, of course, contended that that meeting was entirely fresh and invalid, while respondents alleged that Mr. Li refused to put anything to the meeting at all and arbitrarily closed it, leaving the room with only 30 or 40 of those present and leaving the great majority of people in the room.

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Mr. Jenkin said he would ask their Lordships to find that the evidence was overwhelmingly in favour of the finding that the meeting was properly terminated by Mr. Li, and that the desire of the great majority of those present was to discuss chartering and dividend only.

The old Directors refused to surrender their rights, with the result that a writ was issued on August 13, 1930, against the old Directors.

Counsel submitted that Mr. Justice Wood could not possibly find that the majority of people left the meeting with Mr. Li and also find that the business of the meeting had not been concluded, as the two did not square with each other.

Mr. Jenkin went on to deal in detail with evidence given by witnesses at the trial in the Court below, and the case is proceeding.

HOW TO BE SINGLE THOUGH MARRIED.

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duties. Nowadays the sacrifice is on the woman's side. Automatically she resigns her games, her outdoor life, and her interests in the one wholly absorbing interest of her child.

The husband does not look upon her sacrifice as being a noble one. He considers it merely a natural instinct. Men are delightfully glib with that adjective which they usually apply entirely wrong.

A man is responsible for his children, more so than his wife in the eyes of the law, yet too often he chooses to be merely bored by them. He is indifferent, unconcerned, and says by way of excuse, "Oh, my wife's too busy with the kids, no use my hanging about the place and being in the way."

It is a pose... Any man is wanted by his baby, and nine babies out of ten prefer their father to hold them if only for the reason that they feel safer in his arms. Every father is wanted, but it isn't every father who wants to be wanted.

The children of gad-about fathers, who fling aside the shackles, and airy disregard the ties which they ought to reverence, are to be pitied. They miss a lot in life.

Later, the police report that one civilian was killed and fifteen wounded in the Bulow Square fighting.

Meanwhile, reports of serious collisions between members of the Republican Reichsbanner organisation and the Nazis (in the course of which ten persons were seriously wounded) come from Sonnenberg. A score of Nazis were arrested at Osnabrück after a conflict with the police. Minor clashes between rival parties are reported from a number of cities and provinces.

The police intervened in a scuffle between the Nazis and Communists in the Schoenberg district and arrested fourteen Nazis and 64 Communists.

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Final Unofficial Figures.

RADIO BROADCAST

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF RECORDED MUSIC.

To-day's radio programme to be broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

6.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme of Victor and H. M. V. Records, kindly supplied by Messrs. Matrix and Co.

7.00 p.m. Stock Quotations, Mail Notice, etc.

7.35-7.55 p.m. Orchestral. Songs Of The Volga Boatmen.

7.55-8.15 p.m. Choral. Kirilloff's Balalaika Orch. 19000.

8.15-8.35 p.m. Tap Dance.

8.35-8.55 p.m. The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady (Brice).

8.55-9.15 p.m. Victor Novelty Orchestra, 22380.

9.15-9.35 p.m. Sous Bois (Staub).

9.35-9.55 p.m. Minuet (Bocchorini).

9.55-10.30 p.m. Victor Concert Orchestra, 20636.

10.30-11.00 p.m. Tunes from the Talkies.

My Sweeter Than Sweet from "Sweetie."

A Night of Happiness from "Song of Kentucky."

Anona Wine (Soprano). B3342.

Now I'm in Love from "Darling I Love You."

Reginald Foote (Organist). B3361.

Peace of Mind from "Splinters."

Gene Austin (Tenor). B3362.

There's Room in My Heart from "Splinters."

Walter Glynn, Sydney Coltham and George Baker. B3201.

Orange Blossom Time from "Hollywood Revue, 1929."

Your Mother and Mine from "Hollywood Revue, 1929."

Sandy MacPherson (Violinist). B3169.

The New Moon Selections.

Wake Up and Dream Selections.

New Mayfair Orchestra. C1600.

Nobody Using It Now from "The Love Parade."

My Love Parade from "The Love Parade."

Maurice Chevalier (Baritone). B3232.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-8.40 p.m. Operatic.

Faust Ballet Music (Gounod).

Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden. 9646-9647.

Lohengrin-The Bridal Chorus (Wagner).

Lohengrin-Prelude to Act III (Wagner).

Victor Symphony Orchestra and Chorus. 9005.

Gems from "Tales of Hoffmann" (Offenbach).

Gems from "Mignon" (Thomas).

Victor Opera Company. B3597.

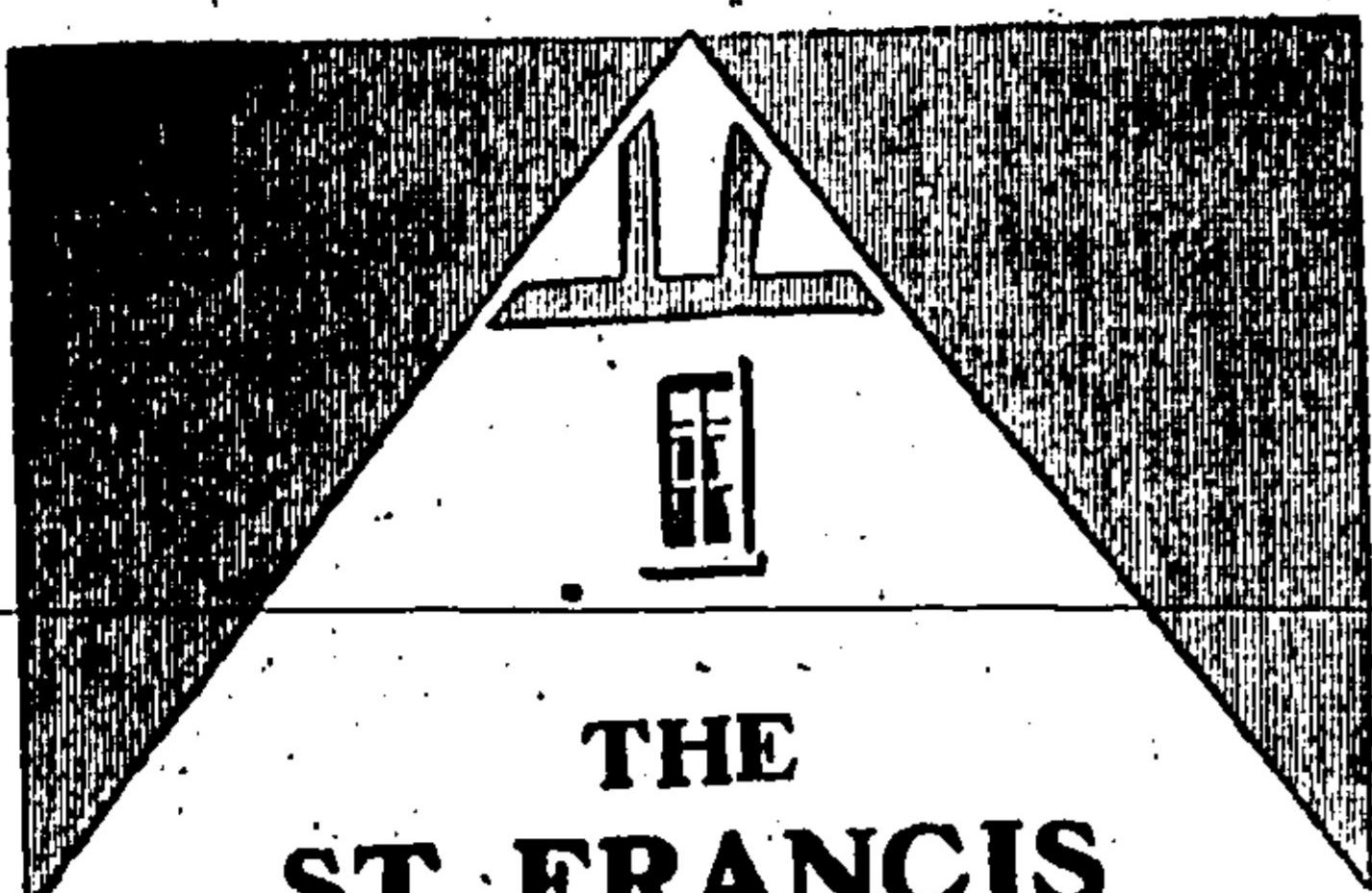
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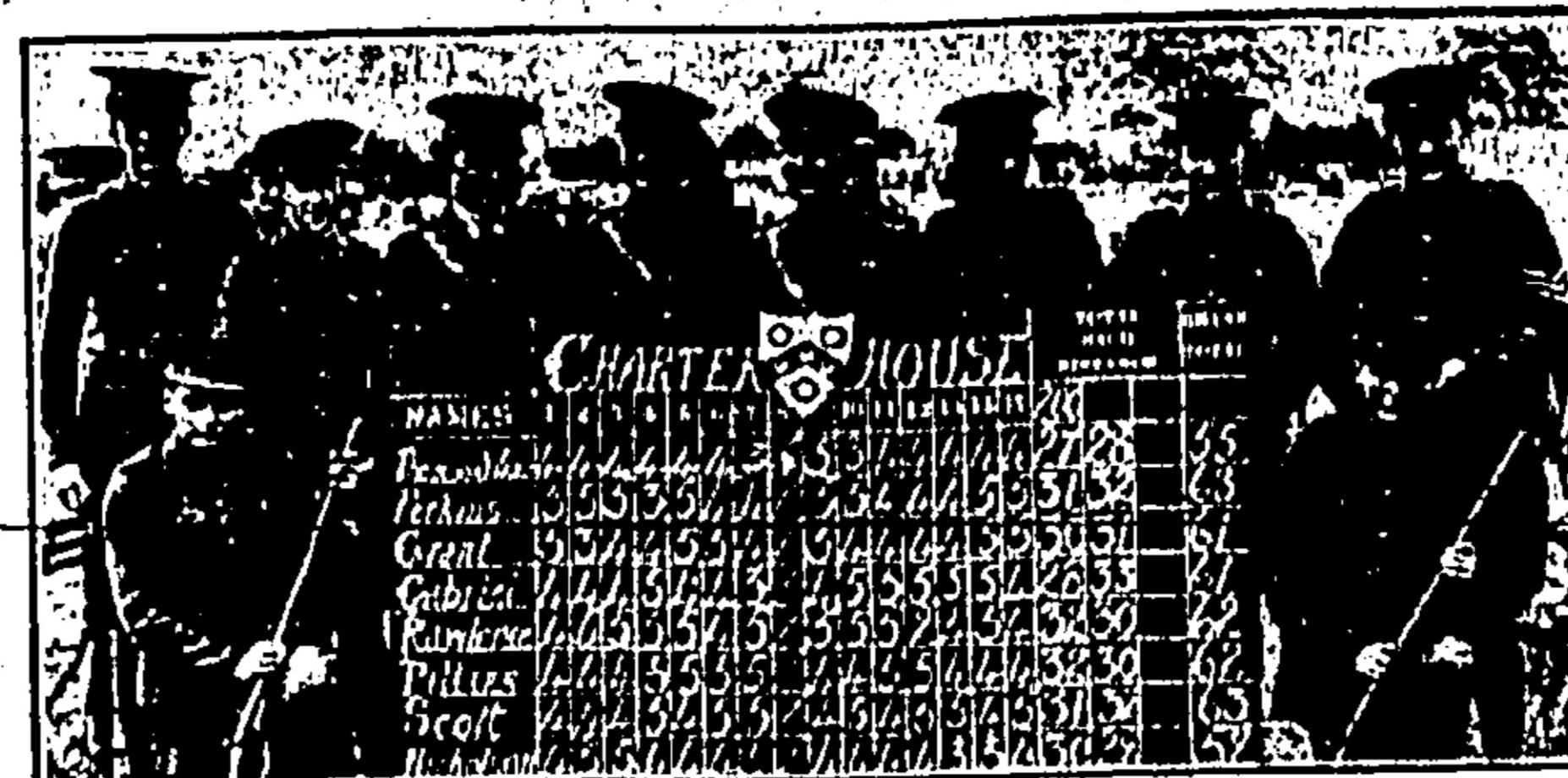
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ASHBURTON SHIELD WINNERS.



Charterhouse, the winners of the Ashburton Shield, at Bisley. This year 82 teams from public schools took part.—(Times copyright)

LOCAL BASEBALL.

HELENA BOYS DEFEAT H.K. CLUB.

Of the two matches played in the
Beechwood League during the week-
end the defeat of the Hongkong
Club by the Helena boys provided
the most interest, the result upsetting
general calculations.

The sailors snatched a victory by
nine runs to eight in a match full
of fierce hitting and bad fielding.
The winners did the minimum
of running, and the maximum
amount of connecting, and gathering
seven runs in the first two
innings, they practically assured
themselves of success.

The Hongkong Club lads, how-
ever, staged a great recovery, and
it was touch and go as to whether
they would make a drawn game.

One of the outstanding incidents
was the fine home run of Zafra,
while Bauer and Schilling each con-
nected for base runs.

Yesterday, another fairly high-
scoring game, saw the Japanese
beat the South China Athletic
by 11 runs to 8. A big rally by the
winners in the fourth innings gave
them the necessary advantage to
run out easy winners.

Howard Jan carried off the hitting
honours with three base hits,
while Albert Fong achieved two
hits out of five visits to the plate.

Superior all-round team work was
the distinguishing feature of the
Japanese outfit.

SCOTTISH SOCCER STARTS.

OPENING MATCHES OF THE SEASON.

London, Aug. 8.
The 1931-32 Scottish League foot-
ball season opened to-day, when ten
matches in the First Division were
played. Motherwell, Rangers and
Celtic were among the winners.

The results in detail, as cabled by
Reuter, follow:

Aberdeen	2	Cowdenbeath	0
Clyde	2	St. Mirren	0
Dundee United	0	Hearts	2
Falkirk	2	Ayr United	2
Hamilton	2	Third Lanark	2
Kilmarnock	4	Airdrie	2
Leith Athletic	0	Celtic	3
Morton	1	Parkhead Thistle	5
Queen's Park	1	Motherwell	1
Rangers	4	Dundee	1

GOLF as the STARS play it.



What is the cause and result of
the wrists breaking late at the mo-
ment of impact?

Without proper wrist action at
the moment clubhead strikes ball,
one can hardly expect to obtain
satisfactory results.

The accompanying sketch illus-
trates the position of the hands
when the wrists are broken late,
which, in other words means that
the right hand has lagged in whip-
ping the club through at the proper
time. This causes the face to be
open and slightly tilted back at the
impact with the ball, sending it
curving to the right of the intended
line of flight.

The correct swing, of course, is
a right hand hitting against an
opposing left. But if the left is over-
powered by the right, it is impos-
sible for the right to hit through
since the opposing left is absent.

ART KRENZ.

MIDGET GOLF.

FILIPINO CLUB DEFEATS CLUB DE RECREIO.

The Filipino Club met and defeated
the Club de Recreio at Midget Golf,
18 holes, at the former's ground, on
Friday afternoon, by 40 strokes. The
scores were:

Filipino Club	Club de Recreio
Dr. Atienza, 61	José d'Almeida, 71
Dr. Goicoechea, 70	J. M. Basto, 70
H. A. Castro, 65	F. Brito, 92
J. V. Ribeiro, 93	J. Xavier, 78
F. Fernando, 60	F. Xavier, 78
L. R. Ildefonso, 69	Alves, 69

LEAGUE TENNIS.

FEW GAMES PLAYED ON SATURDAY.

League tennis on Saturday was
confined to a few re-arranged
matches in the "C" Division. The
results were:

Y.M.C.A.	South China C.C.
3/4	5/4
Craigengower	K.L.T.C.
Deutscher Club	Civil Service
Army T.C.	Radio S.C.

WIGHTMAN CUP.

COMFORTABLE WIN FOR UNITED STATES.

The United States easily wrested
the Wightman Cup from
England, winning by five matches
to two. England lost all the
singles, but made some atonement
by capturing both doubles.
Saturday's results, as cabled by
Reuter, were:

SINGLES.

Miss Jacobs (U.S.A.)	bent Miss Mudford 6-2, 6-4.
Mrs. Willis-Moody (U.S.A.)	bent Miss Nuthall, 6-1, 6-2.

DOUBLES.

Mrs. Shepherd Barron and Miss Mudford (England)	bent Mrs. Wightman and Miss Sarah Palfrey 6-4, 10-8.
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Miss Nuthall and Mrs. Fearnley- Whittingstall (England)	bent Mrs. Willis-Moody and Mrs. Harper 8-6, 5-7, 6-3.
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OTHER CONTENTS.

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close match against the H.K. Electric
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In the Inter-Departmental lawn
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ground yesterday afternoon, by four
shots.

Playing in the first round proper
of the Open Lawn Bowls Champion-
ship at the K.C.C. on Friday, J. Liang
beat F. C. Goodman by 21 shots to 10.

LAWN BOWLS.

K.C.C. ON WAY TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Kowloon C.C. greatly improved
their chances of winning the Lawn
Bowls Championship on Saturday,
when they defeated Craigengower or
the latter's greens. It was a close
game, with only four shots between
the teams at the close. Full results
of Saturday's games were:

Division I.

Kowloon C.C. (away)	bent Craigengower 47-43.
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Tai Lam (home)	bent the Police 70-49.
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Division II.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club (away)	bent Kowloon C.C. 75-51.
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Tai Lam (away)	bent the Civil Service 71-50.
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Yacht Club (home)	bent Club de Recreio 61-50.
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Craigengower (away)	bent the Electric R.C. 78-53.
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Other Contests.

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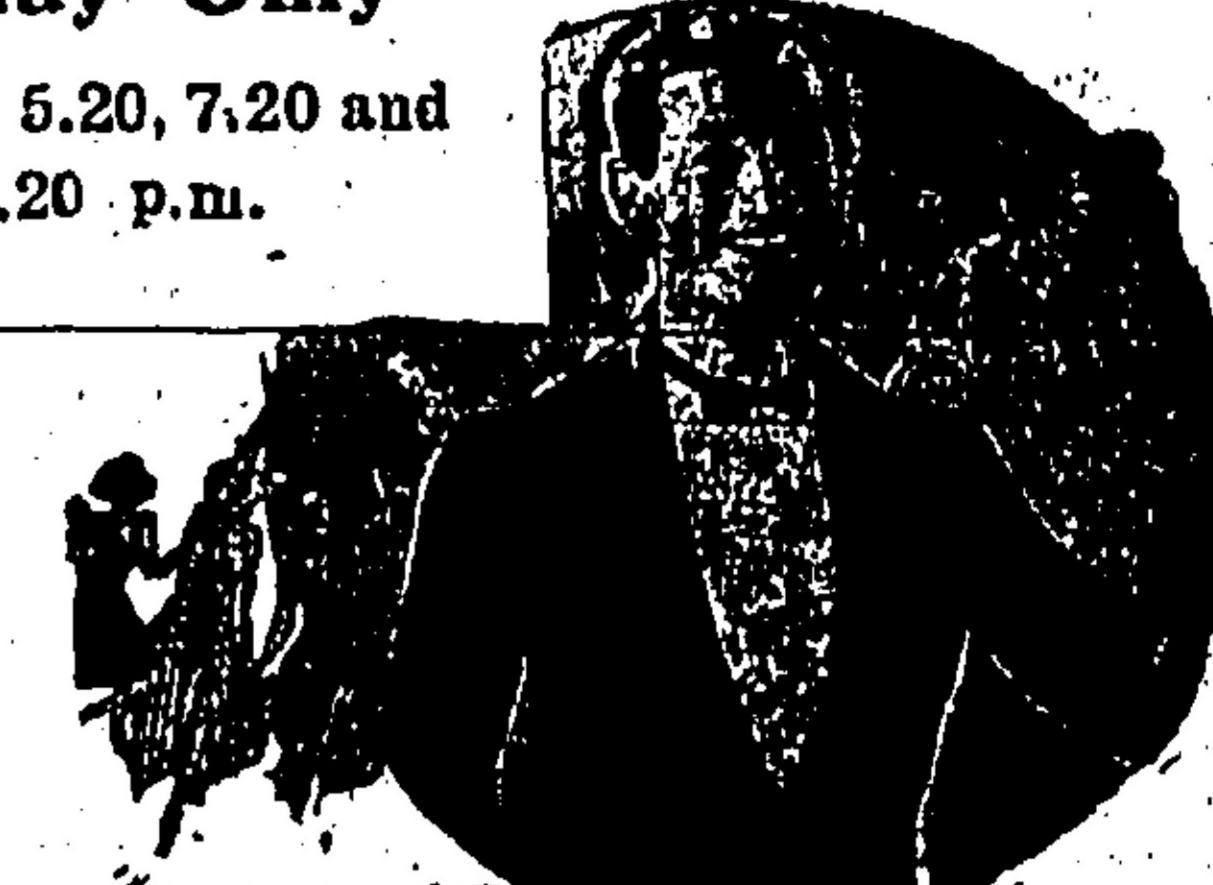
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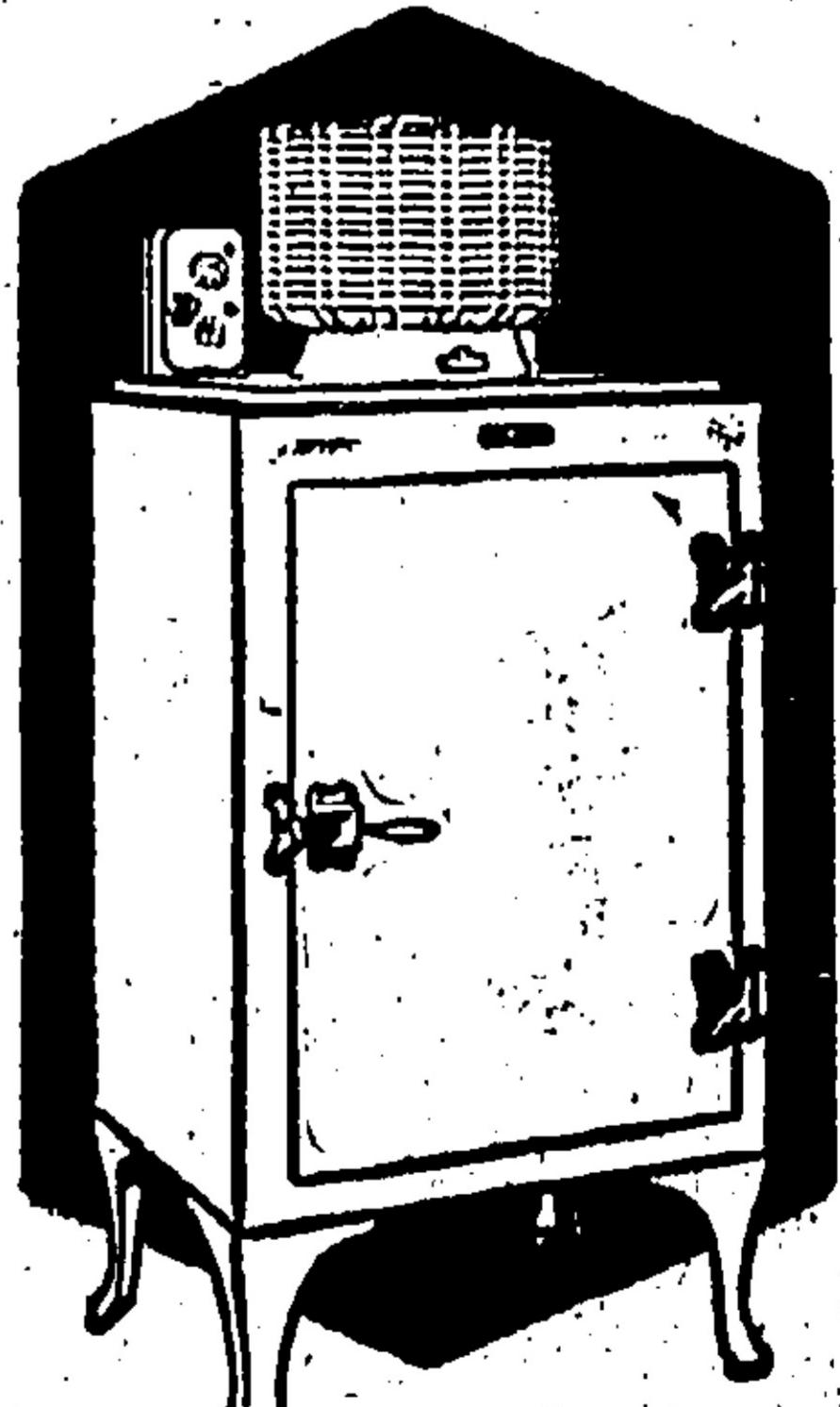
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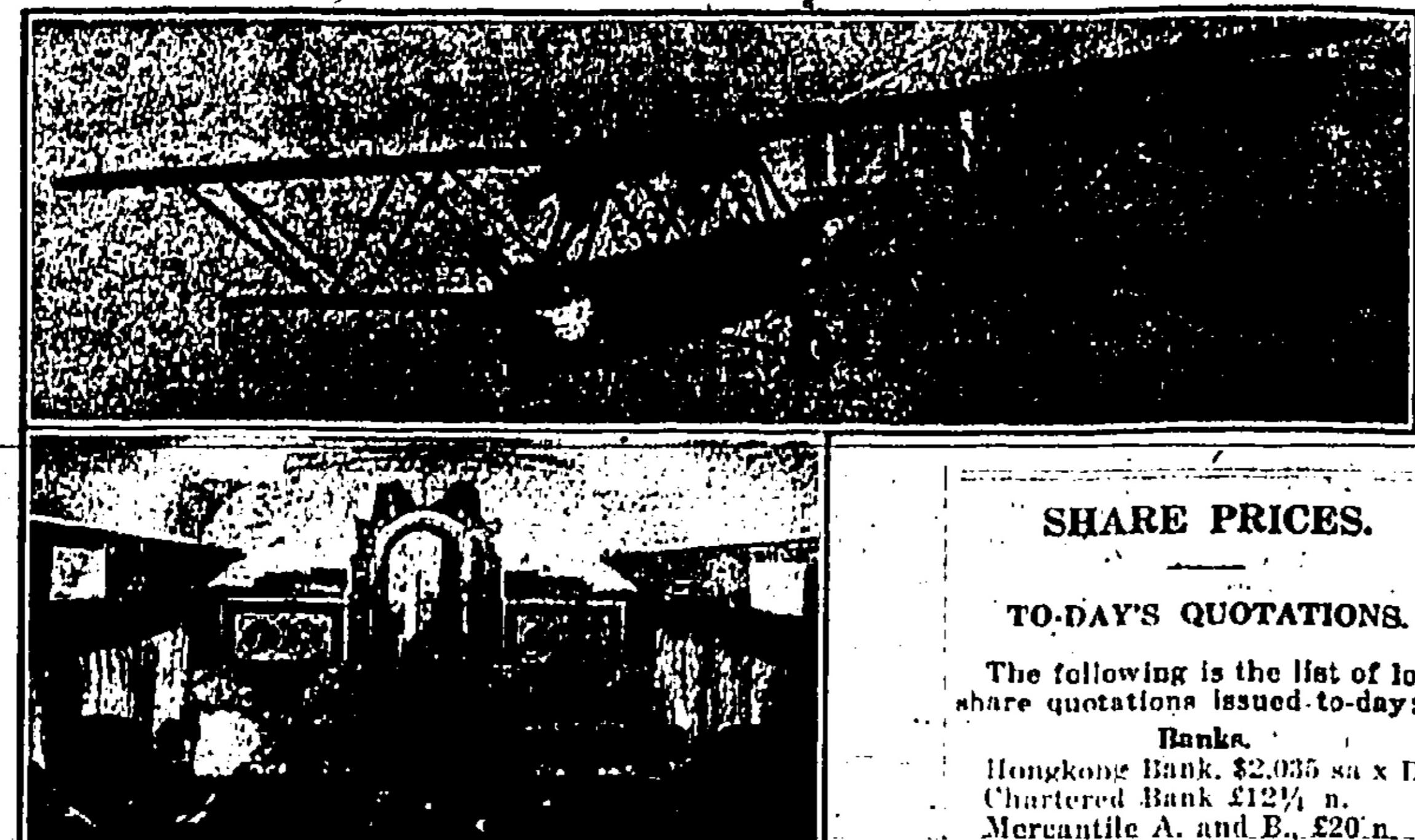
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CINEMA SCREENINGS.

LINDBERGH FLY ON.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

REACH NORTH ALASKAN COAST.

The good old airtight stove the boys used to sit around in the country grocery may be picturesque, but it has no place on an airtight sound stage in the movies. One was used for one scene in "Sins of the Children," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Main Street" drama, coming to the Queen's Theatre on Thursday. After it had smoked out Louis Mann and the rest of the players it was discontinued as a stove, and operated by electric lights inside.

This was the most comical of the technical problems encountered in filming the new picture, a story of American family life in which Mann plays the principal character role.

Electric alarm lights on the cameras fitted in another invention on the set. They were fastened to the cameras to "flash" the mixer at the mixing panel when the director wanted to "cut" in certain sounds. The signals proved silent and effective.

The picture traces the fortunes of a family for three generations. It starts with Mann and his small children, sees them grow up, and finally have children of their own.

As the picture progresses, the march of progress is seen: Mann remains the old barber while his children become doctors, teachers, inventors, and finally leave the old home. There is tragedy, comedy, pathos and drama in the story, which is literally a cross section of human life.

"Man of the World."

William Powell gives another breathless performance which makes "Man of the World" which is now showing at the King's Theatre a dramatic screen sensation like "Street of Chance" and "For the Defense."

As a gentleman in exile, an outcast—loved deeply by two women, one he loves and can't have, the other he can have and doesn't want—Powell is seen as a man so enmeshed in crime that he cannot free himself. This powerful role demands the ultimate in acting talent—and gets it.

In this story of love that comes late, of the flight of a man to re-establish himself in decent society for the sake of a girl he knows to be far beyond his reach, romance and tense drama are thrown forcefully into relief against the gay and entralling atmosphere of pleasure-ground Paris.

Powell's excellence in romance and heart-tugging drama, plus the fascination of the Parisian setting plus the presence in the cast of two superb actresses, plus an absorbing stage make "Man of the World" a picture to get excited about. Garbo-Lombard's great gift for dramatic interpretation, her youth, blonde beauty and vivacity are given their greatest chance for effective expression. Wynne Gibson came to the screen after a long and successful apprenticeship on the stage.

"Scotland Yard"

The camera and the screen between them have a habit of not telling the exact truth about a girl's height and weight, although they usually flatter her age. This is the opinion of Joan Bennett, which she expressed while filming "Scotland Yard" at Fox Studios, the picture in which Edmund Lowe is featured in a dual role and which will be shown at the King's Theatre next.

"They make a girl seem both taller and heavier than she is," continued Miss Bennett, "which is one reason, I suppose, why producers are so insistent upon girls being of the ideally slender type. The woman of medium height and weight on the screen appears as slightly too tall and too heavy for romantic and juvenile roles; while the very tall stout woman take almost gigantic proportions."

For some reason romance and love and charm are associated in the popular mind with the small woman, with girls that appear slight and helpless, and in need of masculine guidance and support.

Although Miss Bennett did not say as much, she herself fulfills admirably all these qualifications, for she is admittedly one of the loveliest actresses on the screen today. Her role in "Scotland Yard" gives her ample opportunity for display of her charms, and the tender love story which she enacts with Lowe is filled with tense, human situations that afford her the best opportunity of her career to portray emotions.

Barbara Leonard, Donald Gray, David Torrence, Lumsden Hare, Georges Renéant and Hallie

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Natural Complaints.

This turn of events naturally caused complaints from the ranks of the Floating Staff, who had been told not only by the Guilds but by Members of the Office Staff who were acquainted with the decision of the General Managers, with the result that representations were made to the General Managers at Shanghai when to the amazement of the Secretaries—the position as previously stated was denied and that what was meant to be conveyed was, "Provided the Company's Floating Staff would agree to the basis of all Salary at 1/6 to the Dollar from 1st July—the Company would continue paying salaries on the present existing basis until 30th June."

It is necessary for these Guilds to state that at the interview held on 28th June there was absolutely no mention of any proviso, as it was clearly and distinctly stated that, as a complication had arisen regarding the Articles of Agreement for the sake of uniformity, to continue the present basis of payment of salaries until 30th June next, after which date Sterling would be paid out on a basis of all salary at 1/6 to the Dollar.

If it had been otherwise there would have been no need for the Guilds to submit the alternative suggestion in order to effect a saving, which continuation of the decision of the General Managers would not effect, in fact the Guilds' suggestion would have been the very reverse of a saving.

It was then pointed out to the General Managers that no misunderstanding, if it can be called such, would ever have arisen had they confirmed what had been said at the last interview. They were also advised that the Guilds' letter of 5th March was not answered until 23 days later when the decision of the Company was only made known verbally. There was still no written reply, and the Guilds were still waiting for reply to their letter of 7th April, to which the General Managers replied that the Guilds could only blame their Hongkong Office, as they were the people who were dealing with the matter.

Amended Conditions.

It was then urged that the General Managers put in writing the actual proposal of the Company in order to avoid any further misunderstanding taking place, and on 18th April the Guilds received a letter stating that the General Managers were prepared to cancel the circular dated 25th February last and continue to pay the staff on a basis of half at 1/6 and half at current rate until 30th June next on the following conditions:

(1) The Staff agree to accept their pay at a fixed exchange of 1/6 per dollar for 12 months as from 1st July, 1931 (Pay would be entered in Articles in Sterling).

(2) The Guilds will give assurance in writing that no action will be taken under Article 139 of the Merchant Shipping Act,

otherwise the terms as per circular of 25th February must remain in force. On 27th April the Guilds again submitted the offer that payment of salaries be made on a basis of one half at 1/6 and one half at current rate of exchange from 1st April for three months, subject to review at the expiration of that period.

This offer was refused by the Company, who gave as the reason for not accepting it that it did not assist the Company to the extent so vitally necessary. It should be particularly noted that the Guilds' proposal was for a period of three months only, after which date the matter was to be reviewed, and taking the current rate at 1/6 the average saving of approximately \$25,000 would have been effected during that period.

The General Managers, however, refused to economise even between 1st April and 30th June, as they would not agree to the offer, and asked the Guilds to give the matter further consideration.

Counter Offer.

A final ballot on the subject was taken on 22nd June and the General Managers were advised, inter alia, that notwithstanding the decision of the Members by ballot which showed a large majority against accepting the announced Salary reduction, these Guilds, in a further earnest endeavour to arrive at an amicable settlement of the dispute, were prepared to agree to salaries being paid at a fixed exchange of 1/4 to the dollar as from 1st July for six months subject to review at the expiration of that period, provided the Company cancel their circular

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pletely forgotten as soon as the Meeting is over, then resurrected for the next Annual Meeting.

It is hoped, however, that the Chairman looked up the meaning of the word "economy" in the New Oxford dictionary (which is in his possession alone, as he had occasion to refer to it during the course of the negotiations) and that he does now appreciate its significance in view of the fact that in 1926 in particular these Guilds were informed by the General Managers that a general scheme of drastic economy was engaging their serious attention.

In the present dispute the Guilds were again informed that the cut in wages is part and parcel of a great Economy Scheme.

Other quotations may be given from letters in 1925 and 1931 which are identical in tenor, but the foregoing will suffice.

How far, then, has the policy indicated in 1925 been adhered to during the intervening years?

There is no intention at this stage to go into figures, as it will be quite sufficient to say that had there existed in 1925 a genuine desire on the part of the General Managers to economise in one item of expenditure alone, and in distinctly apart from other methods of retrenchment, pertaining to the working and Management of the Fleet, the Fleet could have saved a sum equivalent to what would be saved by a 20% salary reduction for four years, for what is possible in 1931 was surely equally possible in 1926!

It should be mentioned that the calculations regarding the foregoing are based on certain information supplied by the Company.

No Retrenchment.

Is it any wonder then that the Floating Staff are thoroughly disatisfied, and bitterly complain that the reduction now so arbitrarily imposed on them is unreasonably drastic in view of the fact that the General Managers have not made the slightest attempt to enforce the policy of retrenchment so glibly indicated by Chairman at Annual Meetings year after year.

That there are numerous other methods of retrenchment hitherto unexplored is well known, but no good purpose will be served by stating them here. The General Managers, however, can rest assured that the Floating Staff are closely watching events in order to determine whether the policy now indicated will be adhered to. It is noted already that the General Managers have certainly not made a very good start when the Chairman announces the policy of retrenchment on the one hand, and in practically the same breath advocates, although he infers it is not important, an increase in the Auditors' fees on the other.

The Chairman's reply, with reference to the telegram received from certain influential Shareholders, is exactly in the terms expected, especially the part in which he states that the Office Staff are employed by the General Managers, not the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. Ltd., and are paid out of the Management Commission. What he did not tell the Shareholders, however, was that certain employees of the General Managers Staff receive a yearly commission on the earnings of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. which sometimes amounts to more than their salary! If the General Managers can afford to pay commission over and above salary to certain of their employees out of the General Management Commission, the Shareholders referred to were not very far wrong when they suggested a reduction.

In conclusion Members of the Guilds have acted with consideration for the interests of the Shareholders in the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. and have now every right to expect real and radical retrenchment effected by the General Managers in other obvious directions.

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THORBURN REPORT UNCONFIRMED.**NOTHING DEFINITE ON DISCOVERY OF BODY.**

Shanghai, Aug. 8.
While both the Foreign Office and British Consulate at Nanking fail to confirm the report that the body of Mr. John Thorburn has been found, vernacular papers here print the story of the discovery of the body at Soochow, and even declare that the cause of death is unknown.

Sir Miles Lampson has been delayed in going to Peking in connection with the report, by the non-arrival of his aeroplane pilot, Count de Sibour. Anxiety is felt for his safety.

Following Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's order yesterday for a full and careful investigation of the Thorburn affair, vernacular papers this morning printed reports, declaring that Thorburn's body has been found at Soochow but the cause of death was unknown. So far both Chinese and British officials lack confirmation of this report although it is rumoured that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Nanking has received a report from Shanghai. This is probably only the newspaper account.

Where is the Pilot?

Nanking, Aug. 8.

On hearing the reports Sir Miles Lampson made preparations to leave for Peking but he has not yet left owing to the non-arrival of Count de Sibour, who piloted him here from Peking. It had been arranged that the Count should pilot the British Minister to Peking.

Count de Sibour is reported to have hopped off from Peking before 5 a.m. to keep the appointment in Nanking at noon.

Ordinarily the journey occupies eight hours but there was no news of the Count late this afternoon, and some anxiety is being felt. Provided Count de Sibour arrives to-morrow Sir Miles will then leave for Peking. *Reuters*.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Sunday, August 2nd.—Sir William Hornell arrived at Mountain Lodge. The following were the guests at dinner—Brigadier Burnell Nugent, Mr. Dundas, Mrs. Bevan, Mr. and Mrs. Newbigging and Mr. Baskerville Glegg.

Monday, August 3rd.—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel went to see defendant armed with certain information, with the intention of making an arrest, and therefore comes under the category of an officer about-to-charge a person without administering a caution. Admissions elicited in this fashion have always been the subject of reprobation by judges and have always been subjected to the closest scrutiny. I therefore submit that Revenue Officer Ward's evidence as to what defendant said is inadmissible and therefore there is absolutely no evidence against him other than that he was lying on a bed smoking opium.

DEFENDANT FREED AFTER RE-HEARING.**OFFICER'S EVIDENCE HELD TO BE INADMISSIBLE.**

Contending that evidence for the prosecution was inadmissible, Mr. Leo d'Almada, jun. asked Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy on Saturday to quash the conviction that had been registered against S. Silva, a native of Macao, for the unlawful possession of 18.5 taels of opium.

"There has been some miscarriage of justice which you have power to rectify under the Ordinance," declared Mr. d'Almada asking for a re-hearing.

At the outset Mr. Schofield said he had reconsidered the evidence and was satisfied there was no evidence to convict on the charge relating to the 18 taels, and after hearing Mr. d'Almada with respect to the half tael, said he had no option but to discharge defendant.

Silva and his wife, Li Sze, appeared, undefended on a joint charge of possession on August 1, pleading no guilty and guilty respectively. Revenue Officer Ward, prosecuting, declined to accept the pleas, and the magistrate registered a conviction against Silva, fining him \$2,000 with the alternative of seven months' imprisonment, and discharged the wife.

Adjournment Objection.

Revenue Officer Ward asked for a further adjournment, stating that Mr. Lloyd, the Superintendent, desired to prosecute personally, but Mr. d'Almada objected.

"Application for re-hearing was made two days ago," he declared, "and I have come here especially for that purpose."

In declaring that he would proceed with the re-hearing and dismiss the charge in respect to the 18 taels, Mr. Schofield said that there was not really sufficient evidence to prove that that opium belonged to the defendant.

Mr. d'Almada contended that there was no proof that the half tael was non-Government opium, although he withdrew that ground on being shown an analysis certificate. He went on, however, that the only evidence against defendant took the form of a conversation with the Revenue Officer. This came under admissions and confessions, about which there had been a decided conflict of opinion, and quoted several authorities bearing on his point.

"There can be no doubt," he said, "that Revenue Officer Ward went to see defendant armed with certain information, with the intention of making an arrest, and therefore comes under the category of an officer about-to-charge a person without administering a caution.

Admissions elicited in this fashion have always been the subject of reprobation by judges and have always been subjected to the closest scrutiny. I therefore submit that Revenue Officer Ward's evidence as to what defendant said is inadmissible and therefore there is absolutely no evidence against him other than that he was lying on a bed smoking opium.

Conflicting Statements.

"The evidence in any case amounts to nothing at all, but a complete denial of the possession of any opium, and contains such highly conflicting statements that they cannot be accepted as admissions by defendant of possession."

Mr. d'Almada concluded that if the magistrate considered that the evidence was sufficient to convict, the amount was only half a tael, and he thought that a week's imprisonment would be sufficient.

Recalled by Mr. Schofield, Revenue Officer Ward said that when he went to defendant's house he said to him: "I am looking for opium; if I find any shall arrest you."

"On this evidence I have no option but to quash the former conviction and discharge defendant," declared Mr. Schofield.

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FOOCHOW DRAMA.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Foochow, Aug. 5.
Great excitement was caused here a few days ago by the arrival from Shanghai of Lin Mei-sheng who was arrested there last week. He has been "wanted" for a long time in connexion with a conspiracy against the Government here.

Placed on the Wanhsiang by the Shanghai police, and closely guarded all the way to Foochow, he was taken into custody on arrival, hurried into the City in a motor car, and tried at the Police Headquarters. After being identified, he was accused of being a leader in an organisation aiming at causing disorder, convicted, placed in a sedan chair, taken to the public execution ground near the Ferry on the north side of the River, and there beheaded.

His poor wife begged in vain for leave to see him, and seems to have practically gone out of her mind. After the sentence had been pronounced, Lin asked for wine to drink. He was given a bottle of brandy, which he drank until he was perfectly helpless, and was unable to stand when the execution ground was reached.

The whole affair is a sad example of the effect of political unrest on individual character. Lin was only thirty three years of age, yet he had held the Mayoralty of two counties and had been looked upon by many of the younger people of Fukien as a hero and a coming leader.

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BETTER FOOCHOW
OUTLOOK.

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BANDITS.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Foochow, Aug. 5.
News from up-country is on the whole better. Chungan is said to be now clear of the Communists, and the military are

opposite her. Reginald Denny again proves his adaptability.

In the story there is little that could stand cold print, but Denny and Mary Pickford do not need a plot any more than did David Belasco, the author.

pressing on to recover completely the ground lost a year ago.

At Chenchow, the "Big Sword Society" made an attack upon the city and actually entered it, but were driven out by the soldiers and a further attack is said to be unlikely. The situation is considered to be so much better that the aeroplanes which had been instructed to come from Amoy to Foochow as a precautionary measure are to remain at Amoy until further orders.

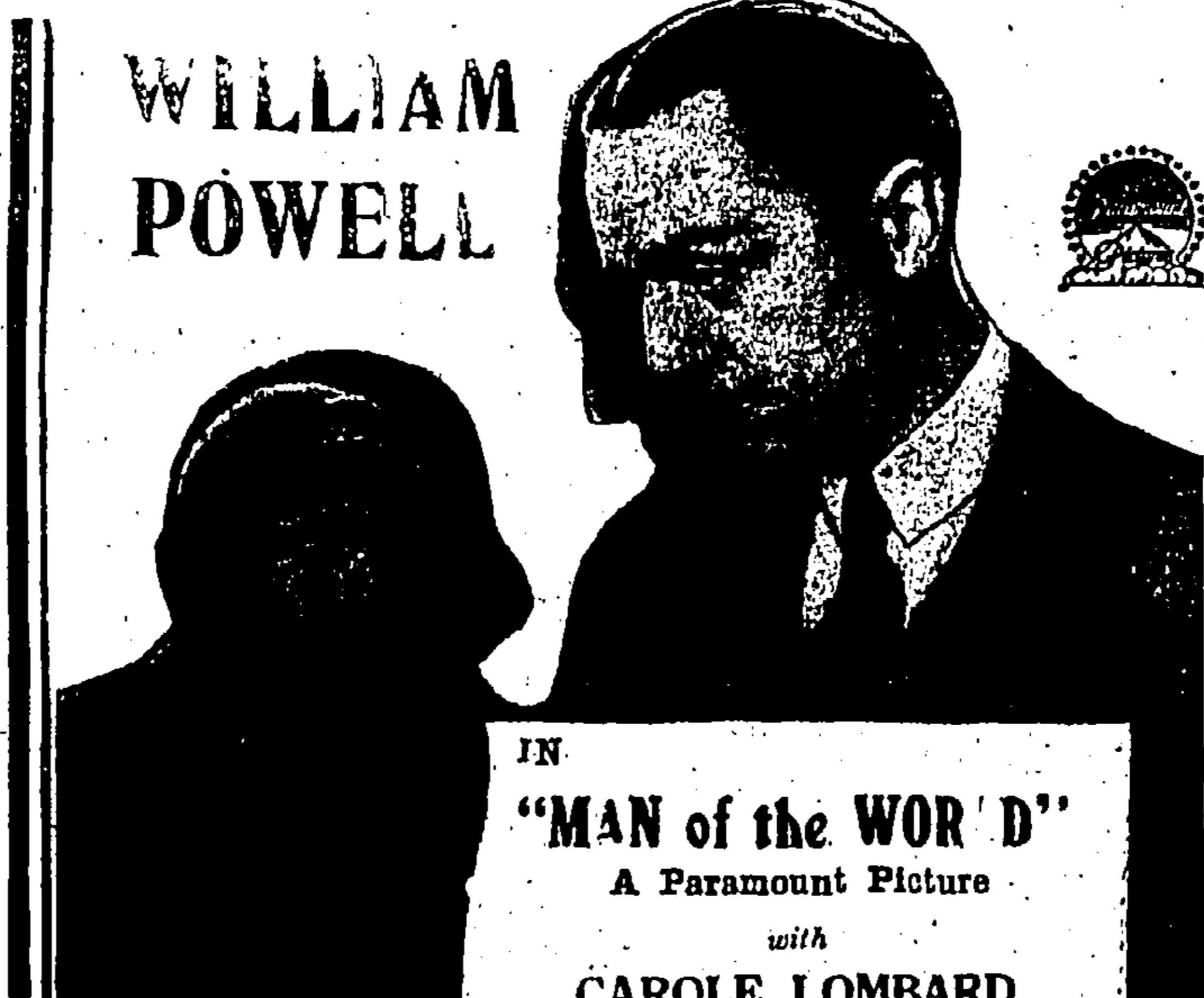
The early arrival of reinforcements from the Central Government, their expenses to be defrayed by the Central Government, is looked forward to and it is hoped that when they arrive, a clean sweep will be made of Communists and bandits throughout the Province. Time will tell whether these hopes are well founded.

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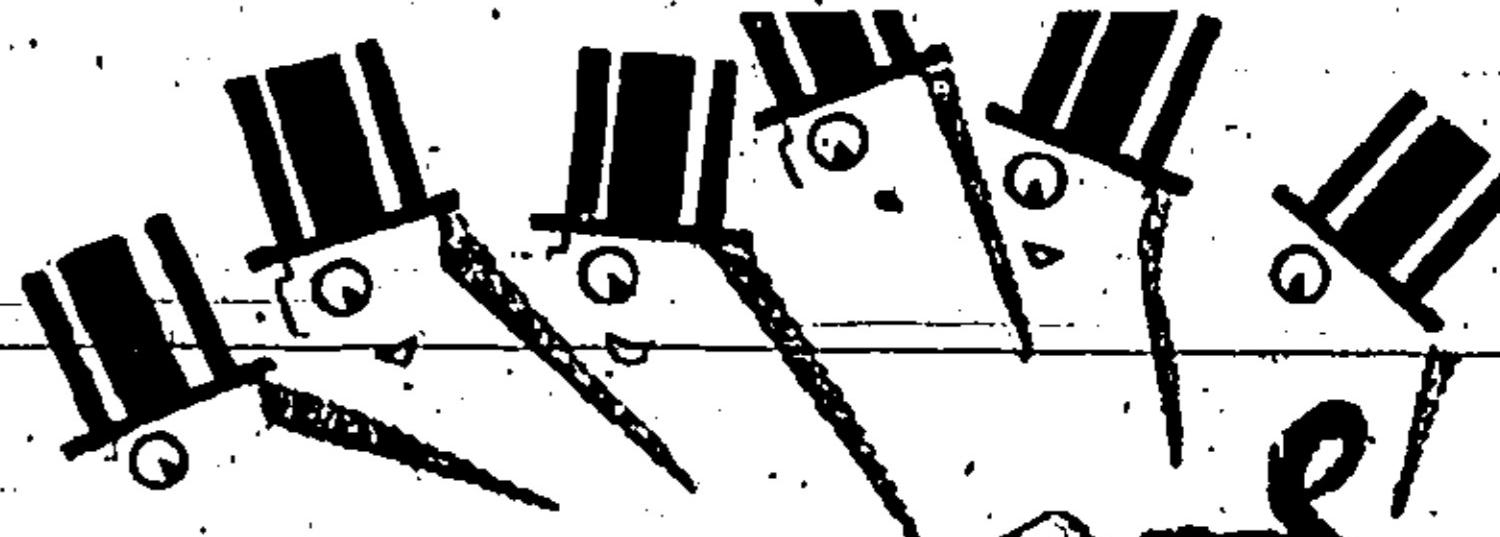
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